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## Case Of The 71 Hongkong Planes

### LONDON WORRIED BY COMPLICATIONS

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Mar. 6.—The case of the 71 Hongkong planes which are claimed by the Chinese Communists and an American civil airline, which says they were sold to them, may be discussed at Cabinet level before a final decision is taken.

British government departments who would always prefer to dismiss such questions with a polite "No comment" are more than ever touchy about the future of these planes.

Such comment as I could obtain at the Colonial Office was in vague terms such as "issues of the highest moment" and "legal and diplomatic complications."

Was an appeal to the courts contemplated by the American Government? Nobody knew—it was being investigated by legal experts.

#### NOBODY KNOWS

In view of the court's decision to release the planes to the Communists were they now at liberty to take the planes away whenever they liked? Nobody knew.

Who was responsible for the planes at present? Nobody knew—presumably the Hongkong Government was.

What was the next move? Back came the inevitable answer—nobody knows.

Whatever happens, Britain will lose prestige. If the planes are handed over to the Communists, the Americans will protest; if the planes are grounded while the Communists are untried, the Communists will almost certainly take the opportunity to let the world know that Britain is under American political pressure.

In London this is seen as the first of many embarrassing situations which Britain will find herself in as a result of trying to reconcile her relations with Communist China and with America's continued relations with the Nationalists.

#### GREEK ELECTIONS

### NO PARTY MAJORITY

Athens, Mar. 6.—All major parties in the Greek election failed to get close to a majority, nearly complete unofficial results showed tonight, and Greece appeared to be headed for another period of coalition government and periodic crises.

Late returns showed Nicholas Pliakouras, moderate Left Wing group out in front, but with only a small lead over the Communist Liberals led by Sophocles Venizelos and the Populist Party led by Constantinos Tsaldaris, the Democratic Socialist Party of George Papandreu, and the Democratic Front of John Sophianopoulou.

With about 1,500,000 votes of the expected 1,800,000 returned, standings were: Pliakouras, 35%, 600 or 23.67 per cent; Venizelos, 224,000 or 21 per cent; Tsaldaris, 306,000 or 20.4 per cent; Papandreu, 218,000 or 15.53 per cent; Papandreu, 217,000 or 14.47 per cent. The rest of the vote was scattered among minor parties.

The four leading parties control about 70 per cent of the seats so far, while in 1946 the Communists party alone rolled up 60 per cent. His support was later cut to 35 per cent and he could not retain power.—United Press.

### To Attack Mt Everest

Bombay, Mar. 6.—Five Indian explorers will make an attempt some time next April to reach the summit of Mount Everest—the highest peak in the world. This will be the first Indian attempt to conquer the as yet unconquered Mount Everest after 14 German and British expeditions had previously failed.

The expedition, sponsored by the Himalayan Mandal of Poona, is believed to be part of a detailed study of the Himalayas. Before the five-man group takes off on its expedition its members will be briefed in meteorology, wireless telegraphy and photography.—United Press.

### Angry Germans Burn Down Dismantling Commission HQ

Watenstedt-Salzgitter, Mar. 6.—An infuriated crowd of 1,000 German workers tonight stormed and burned down the British Dismantling Commission headquarters at the huge Hermann Goering steel plant here.

A crowd trying to stop dismantling of part of a forge had burst into the offices of the Commission, smashed windows and made a bonfire of radios, telephones, files, maps and technical charts.

Five British officers barricaded themselves in one of the rooms of the building during the rioting, but escaped when police detachments were rushed to the scene.

The British Rhine Army Headquarters ordered troops in the area to stand by after the building was burned down, a British spokesman said. The spokesman said that British troops called out from Brunswick, the local headquarters, found the rioters had dispersed when they reached the building.

The attempted demolition had tonight been abandoned and was postponed until tomorrow.—Reuter.

#### EDITORIAL

### 1950-51 Budget Prospects

TOMORROW afternoon the Financial Secretary presents his estimates of Colony revenue and expenditure for 1950-51. It can be assumed with a fair degree of confidence that he will emphasise heavier defence commitments, with less money available for routine services. Last year it was made clear that the Colony was rapidly nearing its maximum revenue production from normal sources, with the dreaded implication that if a substantial increase in expenditure had to be met, the money would possibly have to be raised from additional direct taxation. This may well be an unwelcome feature of the next Budget. On the other hand, it is certain that the Financial Secretary will be able to show a much better working credit balance for the year now ending than that envisaged in his estimates last April. The official figures for the first seven months disclosed that revenue was substantially larger than expected, while useful savings had been made in departmental expenditure. There should be a very nice credit balance to help swell the existing surplus—possibly enough to persuade Government that further direct taxation is not yet necessary. The coming Budget will undoubtedly be prepared along the customary conservative lines, providing for a more or less token balance on the right side, and its theme, one can anticipate, will be to trim expenditure to the utmost limit. In general such an objective will meet with popular approval; what, however, will call for closest examination is in what direction it is intended to apply this trimming. It will be informative, for instance, to be shown to what extent the Efficiency Expert's advice on how to reduce superfluous administrative costs has been taken to date, and whether, and to what degree, it is proposed further to implement his suggestions to achieve this objective. If there

is to be a curtailment of general expenditure to meet with increased defence and allied costs, the public will expect a reasonable share to be borne by administrative departments through the elimination of "dead wood" and the reduction of staffs to a minimum which still permits of maximum efficiency. This may smack of the counsel of perfection, but the Efficiency Expert was, himself, confident that it could be accomplished, and it now remains for Government to implement his recommendations in order to prove the point. Prospects of capital expenditure on projects such as municipal buildings, additional public playgrounds and gardens, or giving effect to any of the recommendations by Sir Patrick Abercrombie, the Town Planning expert, will almost certainly not appear in Mr Follows' estimates, and there are no signs in the abstract of estimated expenditure to show that Government intends to ante up additional funds for social services. The PWD is to absorb the greater proportion of the increased \$19 million expenditure, but precisely on what projects remains to be seen. What can be taken for granted is that there will be no tax relief, either direct or indirect; on the contrary it may be felt necessary to guarantee additional revenue by increasing duties or licences, or by introducing a levy through a new medium. The Budget is not likely to give a great deal of satisfaction to the general public, for it must contain some disagreeable, but unavoidable commitments which, in themselves, will demand curtailment of expenditure in other and more popular directions. The brightest spot about the Financial Secretary's speech will probably be his final estimate of the 1949-50 surplus, but how he proposes to make use of it is another matter.

## TORIES CHALLENGE GOVT TO

### IMMEDIATE TEST OF STRENGTH

### Amendments To The King's Speech

London, Mar. 6.—Mr Winston Churchill's Conservatives on Monday night challenged the weakened Labour government to an immediate test of strength on the issues of housing and the nationalisation of iron and steel.

The Tories moved two amendments to the King's speech, which outlined the government's legislative plans.

The amendments expressed regret that the King had made no reference to the critical housing situation or the repeal of the nationalisation of iron and steel.

Voting on the amendments probably will come next Monday night at the conclusion of the debate on the King's address, and if the government is defeated on one amendment, it will fall.

Several Labour Members of Parliament from districts with poorer inhabitants, have expressed dissatisfaction with the government's housing programme, and might abstain from voting on that issue. Also, the Party's left wing is annoyed with the decision to support nationalisation in this session, and may cause some trouble on the iron and steel issue.

The Conservatives had been undecided whether to introduce an amendment to the King's speech, until Mr Churchill and his "shadow cabinet" met at the House of Commons on Monday evening after Prime Minister Clement Attlee opened the debate on the King's speech.

Both motions were signed by Mr Churchill and his leading colleagues. Both Mr Attlee and Mr Anthony Eden, Conservative, in the opening debate on the King's speech agreed that the almost equal division of Parliament should not weaken Britain's voice in foreign affairs.

Mr Attlee said: "The fact that Parliament is almost equally divided does not mean in the least that the handling by this country of foreign affairs should be weakened in the slightest degree."

Mr Eden said he saw "no reason" why Britain should be weakened in foreign affairs because of Labour's slender majority. He said: "I should think the opposite would be the result, and that foreign policy would be strengthened." But he criticised the government for its "painfully slow" progress in co-ordinating policy in Asia with other Commonwealth governments and with the United States and France.

Mr Attlee told the Commons that Labour's slim seven-vote majority made the government's task "not free from difficulties."

#### STORMY DEBATE PROMISE

Mr Eden indicated that his group did not intend to offer "frivolous opposition" to the government at this time. He promised a stormy debate for Tuesday however, when he announced that Mr Winston Churchill intended to attack the problem of housing, which, the Tories claim, the Socialists have failed to solve.

Mr Attlee said the government was "naturally concerned over the danger to civilisation" of the atomic and hydrogen bombs. But he rejected Mr Churchill's suggestion for an "all-out" meeting with Stalin. He said: "We have sought very earnestly to arrive at an agreement with the Soviet Union. It is very difficult so long as they maintain an attitude which regards all the rest of the world as hostile, and so long as they indulge in world-wide subversive activities. High-level meetings will not of themselves meet the need."

He mentioned other foreign affairs only briefly, noting that progress on the Atlantic Pact and the Western Union. He said the proposals for a South-eastern Asia defence against Communism made at the Colombo Foreign Ministers' conference in January, had not yet been fully considered.

Mr Eden said: "The great divide in this Parliament, and indeed in the nation, is on the issue of nationalisation." He said his party believed further nationalisation "would be disastrous" for the future of our country, and declared: "If this Parliament serves seriously to range and balance arguments for and against the future of

Britain as a Socialist State, then, however short its life, it will not have lived in vain."

Mr Eden demanded to know what steps the government was taking to co-ordinate its policies in Asia with other Commonwealth countries and with France and the United States. He complained: "Progress so far has been painfully slow. If we are to build an effective barrier against Communism in Southeast Asia, we cannot do it on a basis of isolated treaties alone. We must produce an effective alternative way of life that will appeal to the men and women in those lands, just as Communism undoubtedly appeals to some of them."

He referred to the plan submitted to the Colombo Conference by the then Australian Minister for External Affairs Mr Percy Spender, for a collective Commonwealth effort for improving the living standards in Southeast Asia. He said: "The Government: Are we right in thinking that the United States is prepared to co-operate in what has been called the Spender Plan? If so, is any meeting contemplated for this purpose, and how soon will there be such meeting?"—United Press.

At least three fights broke out in Brussels, one in Antwerp, and many others throughout the provinces. None was serious, however, and the police said the heaviest casualties were cuts and bruises from fists.

The office of the Socialist party organ, Le Peuple, has been equipped with fire hoses to repulse any to-be Catholic party demonstrators.—United Press.

On Sunday, with the referendum only six days away, there was hardly a billboard in the country that did not bear propaganda posters.

#### Dr Fuchs' Defection

London, Mar. 6.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, said on Monday that atomic scientist Dr Klaus Fuchs, convicted last week as a Russian spy, was employed in Britain's super-secret atomic plants because Nazi charges that he was a Communist had appeared unfounded.

He said: "No slur can be planned on the security services" for letting Dr Fuchs sit on Britain's atomic general staff for seven years. Mr Attlee said that without using totalitarian methods the British security services could not have found out earlier than they did, that Dr Fuchs was a Russian spy. He said, when Dr Fuchs fled to Britain from Nazi Germany, the British Government had checked on a Gestapo charge that he was a Communist, and found "no support for it."

German-born Dr Klaus Fuchs was sentenced to 14 years in prison after confessing he had given atomic secrets to Russia.

Mr Attlee recalled that Mr Winston Churchill was Prime Minister when Dr Fuchs was taken on in 1941. But he said "I don't think any blame is attached either to the Government or to this government, or to any officials."—United Press.

## New Equipment For British Army Will Cost Taxpayers An Additional £21 Million

London, Mar. 6.—Britain will cut its defence manpower in the coming year but overall costs will be nearly £21,000,000 higher, mostly for new equipment, the Government announced tonight in a statement on defence policy.

The total defence estimates for 1950-51 amount to £780,820,000 compared with £759,860,000 last year. This year's total includes nearly £35,000,000 more for equipment and research than in 1949-50.

It is understood that substantial quantities of this new equipment are to meet British commitments with the Western Union.

"No drastic reduction can be made so long as the present unsettled international situation persists," the statement declared. It gave figures to show that uniformed strength will be brought to 719,000 by April 1, 1951, more than 100,000 below the strength a year ago.

The Ministry of Supply, which sponsors atomic research, will get £65 million compared with £57,750,000.

"On the Army and Navy together we shall spend about the same in 1950-51 as in 1949-50; on the Air Force and on research and development (much of which is for the Air Force) rather more than an extra £20,000,000," the statement said.

WESTERN UNION AID  
"The defence policy is based on the assumption that we should not stand alone in resisting aggression," it added.

Britain had already contributed to Western Union needs by making available fighter aircraft and this assistance would be continued in 1950-51.

New proposals were raised by the North Atlantic Treaty, the statement said, but "progress has been made towards their solution during the last 12 months."

### Military Strength

Naval manpower would fall mainly by reducing manpower ashore to help balance expenditure on fleet modernisation and other services.

A reduction of 20,000 men by April 1 next year will bring the Army strength down to 330,000, but Britain's reserve Territorial Army will increase rapidly after the middle of this year, when National Service men begin flowing into ranks after 18 months' training with the regulars, the statement said.

On colonial forces, the White Paper said the cost even for internal security forces was often beyond the means of the colony. Means of bridging the gap were under consideration.

The Navy met its reduced recruiting requirements last year but the Army and Air Force figures fell "considerably short" of what was required and recruits were needed on a scale never before attempted in a time of peace and full employment.

The Government relied on National Service to make up its required numbers and dismissed any idea of abandoning or curtailing conscription, the White Paper declared.—Reuter.



Robert A. Vogeler (left), American business executive, and Edgar Sanders, his British associate, crouch over table microphone in Budapest, Hungary, as they listen to the judge's commentary before hearing their sentences after conviction charges of spying and sabotage. Vogeler was sentenced to 15 years in prison; Sanders to 13. The U.S. State Department has denounced the legal proceedings and Hungary's treatment of Vogeler.—AP Picture.

### Fist Fights Over Return Of Leopold

Brussels, Mar. 6.—Fist fights were reported from widely scattered parts of the country on Monday, as the campaigning for and against the return of King Leopold to the Belgian throne entered the final stages.

Most fights started when supporters and opponents of the King were caught meaning or tearing down each other's posters.

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The office of the Socialist party organ, Le Peuple, has been equipped with fire hoses to repulse any to-be Catholic party demonstrators.—United Press.

#### Another Ambush

Singapore, Mar. 6.—A large force of terrorists today ambushed a lorry and shot six of the occupants dead on an estate road in the northwestern State of Kedah. Those killed included three special constables, an estate clerk and the driver. Another special constable was wounded.—Reuter.

### Missionary Societies Join In Blockade Protest

London, Mar. 6.—Church missionary societies are joining force with representatives of British commercial interests seeking United States intervention to halt the Nationalist blockade and the bombing of the China coast.

A missionary society official emphasised that there was no political implication to their representations. He said they were being made "purely on humanitarian grounds."

He said that missionary groups in Britain had written to their counterparts in the United States seeking their help and urging immediate action aimed at halting the bombing.

He said, "We intend to take all action we can. Individual





A soapless powder shampoo is an excellent medium to use when washing your own hair. Wet the hair and sprinkle a little of the shampoo on, massage well.

By HELEN FOLLETT

TO their runit tresses natural sloshing on water with a cup of blonde give the most fast- to have only a partial tidious care. The shampoo cleaning. For blonde hair the lemon never slips over beyond the even day limit. Blonde hair, rinsed is almost a must. It does like white locks, shows signs wenders to bring out the shine of dust quickly, loses its lovely ing, golden glints. To a bowl- lights and lustre. There is no ful of warm water add the such thing as keeping it too strained juice of three lemons. clean. Some starlets won't Pour over the head several trust to professional attention, times and if the hair is but do their own renovating. shoulder length, give special attention to the ends. This rinse should be removed with clear water.

Drying the hair in the sun- shafts that are not easy to light is recommended. Sum- remove. There must be three shine is life to the hair, unless foamy frictions, each one gets too much of it, as followed by a rinsing with a may happen in the summer strong current of water from time. Over exposure may re- a bath spray. To hold the salt in sunburn, making the head over a wash bowl and growth streaky with different hope to get it soap-free by shades and tones.

## Let's Eat

BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN



### East Indian Curry Dinner

AS we sat in the cozy grill- room of the Pierre, tasting the different curries, the Chef remarked, "I do not know of any other food that gives the gustatory senses opportunity for such full expression. If I am not mistaken, Madame, it was the desire of the potentates and princes of Europe to gratify their taste for the spices of India, that was responsible for the discovery of America."

#### Motivating Force

"According to history, Chef, it was certainly one of the motivating forces. But now- adays not only princes but any citizen of this democracy can buy the spices of the East at a very moderate cost, thanks to modern transportation and world trade. However, the majority of our American families are not very familiar with curry dishes."

At this point the curry table was again rolled up to us. The Indian attendant, in his multi- coloured robe and splendid turban, lifted the shining cop- per cover, and served us with chicken curry, on a bed of yellow rice. A second attend- ant, in similar Oriental costume, passed the tray of condiments to dress the curry. These included chutney, ginger, grated fresh coconut, minced parsley, grated orange rind and chopped walnuts.

"Really, Chef, I think our American homemakers should become more familiar with these curries and serve them occasion- ally. Here we've tasted chicken curry, lamb curry, beef curry and fish curry. They are all wonderful dishes. They are different, can be made in ad- vance, and produced at a reason- able price. I'm sure they would prove a great success for special parties or club suppers or dinners."

The natural accompaniment to our curry dinner was fine India tea, and a most delightful dessert for which we have also given you the recipe.

#### East Indian Curry Dinner for Guests

Orange and Grapefruit Supreme  
East Indies Chicken Curry with Yellow Rice  
Condiment Tray (Chutney, Chopped Walnuts, Parsley)  
Toasted Mixed Greens Salad  
Cherry Souffle Pudding  
Cherry Cream Sauce  
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)

Include enriched bread or rolls with butter or margarine.

All Measurements Are Level  
Recipes Serve Eight

The following authentic East Indian curry and rice recipes are through the courtesy of Neel Ali, Hindu chef of the East Indian kitchen, Hotel Pierre.

#### Chicken Curry

Wash and clean 1 (5 lb.) roast- ing chicken and cut up the meat over a little bottled passion- in bite-size, or 1 in. cubes. Next

#### Trick of the Chef

To give an Oriental touch to orange and grapefruit supreme- fruit over a little bottled passion- in bite-size, or 1 in. cubes. Next

### RAINY DAY BEAUTY



By VERA WINSTON

#### Household Hints

That old bathrobe could be freshened up with a trim of bound edges made with blanket binding.

You will get best results when washing rayons if you use soft water. Hard water contains minerals which form curds when combined with soap. These curds retain soil and cover the fabric, giving it a grayed ap- pearance. If the water in your locality is hard, add a good water softener before you place your garments in the wash. Detergents have a water softening effect, too.

To protect your kitchen sink from stains, put a rubber drain- board pad in it, cutting it down to fit if necessary. Do not make it a permanent fixture. Use it only when washing dishes or cooking, when hot pans will be put in the sink.

The rubber gasket of your re- frigerator door should be wiped off periodically with a cloth moistened with denatured al- cohol, and dusted with talcum powder. Be sure to keep the alcohol off painted surfaces.

Darn the worn carpet with a rug wool carefully matching the colour. It will take away so much of the shabby appearance and will cause the rug to wear much longer if mended before it is very far gone.

### Lingerie Silhouettes

SILHOUETTES in "fash- ion" lingerie are very slim or very full. For full skirts, petti- coats (rather than slips) are featured. A deep under- stuffed nylon net, twin skirts of marquisette, completely pleat- ed nylon net or tricot over tulle, flared tulle, typical examples of full petticoat types. For slim skirts, there is a raft of slim, slit petticoats and of slit-hem slips.

## WOMANSENSE

### Tips For Laundering Woollens

By ELEANOR ROSS

WHILE some women do a practically professional job at laundering woollens, too many of us turn out a poor job. We don't know why this should be, since if properly in- cluded, we should wash as well as any other tubbable fabric. The best advice we can give is that you "baby" your woollens. For there's really no secret to the washing of woollens if you just remember to treat all of them—sweaters, amoures, skirts, blouses, dresses—so gently as you do a baby when bathing him.

The essentials of laundering woollens can be condensed to two things, gentle temperature and gentle handling. The water must be lukewarm for proper results. You know the trick you use for testing the water for a baby's bath. You dip your elbow into the water be- cause the skin there is sensi- tive, far more so than the hands that in most cases are ac- customed to hot water. So elbow- test for temperature and that means for rinsing, too, since woollens show their sensitiv- ity by shrinking from any ex- treme water temperature. You handle a baby gently, too, with no harsh rubbing. Do the same with woollens—just swirl through suds several times.

### Weight of Water

When washing, don't suspend the woollens in the air, since the weight of water dripping out causes the woollens to shrink a little matter. When the cause of trouble is the water, support it gently. If there are some very soiled spots, cleanse them gently with a brush, but never rub them hard. Rubbing causes fibres to mat or felt together and to shrink.

When rinsed, roll articles in a towel to remove excess moisture, but do not squeeze. Spread flat to dry, away from artificial heat. Pressing is not necessary for most wool knit garments, but such items as sweaters and knitted blouses should be blocked into shape. In lieu of a blocker, preferably the corrugated variety. After roll- ing in a towel to remove excess moisture, invert the cardboard into the damp garment and ease it gently into shape to fit the frame.

### Wedding Bells

A bride-to-be, by the name of Sandra Lee Bridgman, to- gether with her fiancé, recently applied for a marriage licence at Kokomo, Ind.

Because a Milwaukee, Ill., store had just one wedding gown of a certain model and two brides-to-be, strangers to each other and shopping at the same time, each wanted the gown. The two girls bought the dress jointly, the one first to be mar- ried wore it at her wedding, then it was adjusted to fit the other girl to wear at her wed- ding.

A woman in St. Petersburg, Fla., celebrating her 70th birth- day, recalled that she was a bride at 11, a mother of nine at 25 and a grandmother at 30.

### Good Millinery Medium



By ALICE ALDEN

Melusine, that soft, beaver- like felt has shown itself to be one of the big millinery favourites of the year specially in beautiful, rich pastel shades, as well as brilliant, vivid colours. It is the medium chosen for a handsome and

dramatic turban, nice right through the winter into early spring. Voila Modes does the turban in raspberry coloured melusine, draped down at one side in a soft chou, and accented at the hairline with a rhinestone clip.

### Petal Cut & The Mermaid Look

Seen at right is this petal- cut top gown worn by Jane Carr who gave her dress the new hair-do look. Chosen jewelry—pearl and dia- mond necklace and long dia- mond earrings. At left Monica Mallory, 24, in mer- maid balances her side curls with a pearl drop earring. She has a mari-topped black net and flowered gown.



### CHEESECAKE, ROAD TO STARDOM

By PATRICIA CLARY

HOLLYWOOD. AN actress who won't stand still for "cheese- cake" is just cheating herself, curvy Lola Albright said. She's not giving herself a chance to be another Lana Turner or Rita Hayworth.

Some critics cover up to the lines when a photographer goes by and point that it'll hurt their art to show any more than great-grandmother did. Horse- feathers, says Miss Albright.

"Who ever refused to go to see a girl because she was pretty?" she demanded. "If a girl has a good figure and chap- ly legs, she ought to be proud to show them."

She added, further, that many a beauty has climbed to stardom on piles of cheesecake pictures. "Betty Grable, Ann Sheridan and Rita Hayworth became known for their beautiful figures before anybody noticed they could act," she said.

In some quarters, they're still known for their beautiful figures.

### Double-Crosses. Sister

Right now Lola is playing Evelyn Keyes' seductive sister in Columbia's "The Killer That Stalked New York." The part calls for her to double-cross her sister, reduce her brother-in- law, wear clinging dresses and sweaters and expose several lengths of shapely limb.

"It's all part of the business," she shrugged. "Good business, too, if you ask me. No girl can get to be a pin-up favourite hiding her good points under a long burly sack."

Miss Albright poses for all the bathing suit art studio photo- graphs ask for and magazines will take, and she says she won't change if she's ever a big star.

"I think some stars get so gentled and reserved the public loses interest," she said. "I'd rather be a regular person."

United Press.

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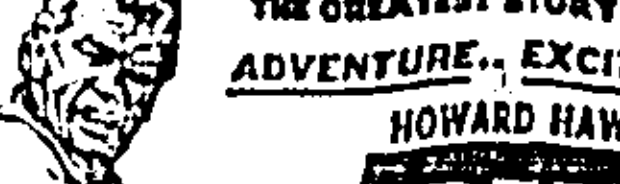
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# JAPAN'S NEUTRALITY BIG PEACE OBSTACLE IN ASIA

By Earnest Hoberocht

One of the biggest obstacles to the Japanese peace treaty is the problem of insuring the neutrality of this nation. Japan has renounced war and the new constitution clearly states that she will have no military machine.

When the Americans speak of keeping Japan "neutral," they mean keeping Japan out of Russia's sphere of influence. Russian statements and actions indicate that the Soviet Union interprets a "neutral" Japan as being a Japan not under American influence.

The problem is to find a solution that suits both sides in the East-West cold war, which is growing more and more intense in the Far East.

Obviously, this is not going to be an easy job for the diplomats when they get around to sitting down for peace talks, and Gen. Douglas MacArthur

has told visitors that he has no definite suggestion. "I am certain of one thing," MacArthur has been quoted as saying. "I am certain that both Russia and the United States will have one point in common at the treaty conference. That is mutual desire and agreement that Japan shall not be permitted armed forces in the future."

## NO ARMED FORCES

MacArthur believes Japan must build her new place in the world as a neutral nation, one without arms or a desire to fight, and a nation whose neutrality is respected by other powers.

He believes that the money which formerly went into Japan's military machine must be used for better purposes in the future. He thinks Japan could not hope to become the world's leading military power and that anything short of being first is useless.

At the end of World War II, Japan did not look like taking such an important place in the over-all picture of strategic points. Subsequent events in Asia, however, have brought about a gradual change of opinion in many quarters.

The successes of the Chinese Communists and the reported Russian ambitions in Manchuria once again have highlighted Japan's importance.

Not only is Japan one of the most important nations in Asia now on the side of the anti-Communist bloc, but her "roll" serves as a base for American forces and she is a key in the U.S. Far Eastern defense line.

Russian statements have made it clear that the Soviets do not consider Japan a complete "neutral" right now. They have accused Japanese politicians of co-operating with "the imperialistic Americans."

## PLANS CONFUSED

Few persons believe the Russians would agree at a peace conference to any plan which would make the United States the protector of Japan's neutrality.

Few persons believe the United States will pull out of Japan so long as the threat of Communist aggression in Asia remains. Still, fewer believe the United States would agree to Russia serving as the protector of Japan's neutrality.

Some quarters here think that the United Nations eventually may play a role in solving the problem—if there ever is evolved an effective way for that international body to enforce its decisions.

However, even the question of what nations will attend the peace talks is one that presents problems. The United States wants all 11 nations represented on the Far Eastern Commission to participate on a vetoless basis. Russia wants the Big Four of the Pacific, which they now claim includes Communist China.

All things considered, observers here believe that the Japanese peace conference will not be held now because there are too many obvious obstacles and not enough chances for a meeting of minds.—United Press.

## "Elegant" Style For Men

Savile Row—Britain's centre of world fashion in men's wear—has a name for its latest design in style for male suits and coats. In future, to be in fashion, the smart man will be wearing the "Elegant" cut.

Although the new design is not radically different from that of last season's suits—for men remain conservative in dress—there are certain essential, and sometimes subtle, changes which give the "Elegant" cut a definite "different" appearance.

In the main, the new cut introduces softer and more flowing lines, ousting the stiffness and bulkiness of previous "looks." The squared, padded shoulder has gone; now it is the "natural slope" with a minimum of building-up and carried no further than the point of the wearer's shoulders. The shoulder ends are softly rounded with no roping of sleeve heads, and the body is cut full enough to permit a slight draping.

The "Elegant" theme is seen to best advantage in single-breasted jackets—either three or two buttoned. In the case of the former, which implies, necessarily, a somewhat short lapel (to roll over the top button), the lapel is narrower than recent styles. In the two-buttoned jacket, a longer lapel, still rather narrow, comes down a soft roll to the upper fastening button which is placed just about the natural waist line.

For double-breasted or reefer suits, instead of last year's long, bold lapel which swept down to side pocket level, the fastening button is now about midway between pocket and waist line, with a "dummy" upper pair of buttons spaced well up the fronts. This has the effect of shortening the lapel and alters the ratio of balance between the top and lower parts of the front and sets the outer edge of the lapel at a sharper angle. This gets away from that spare look, or the alternative of a peg-top appearance, which were ever-present dangers with the previous "button-down" reefer.

The "Elegant" cut in trouser style calls for a trouser bottom width of 18½ inches. This measure also governs the width of leg which is consistently slim, from hip, over knee to bottom.

## NOW IS NOT THE HOUR

Since the BBC played "Now is the Hour" at the dawn of a day appointed for an illegal general strike, the Gold Coast has protested that its broadcasts encourage violence.

Nana Ofori, Atta II, paramount chief, has protested against BBC news bulletins about strikes and violence, especially in the Gold Coast and other parts of the Empire.

"They have an adverse effect on the youth of the country, and stimulate hoodlums," he told the Joint Provincial Council at Dodowa.

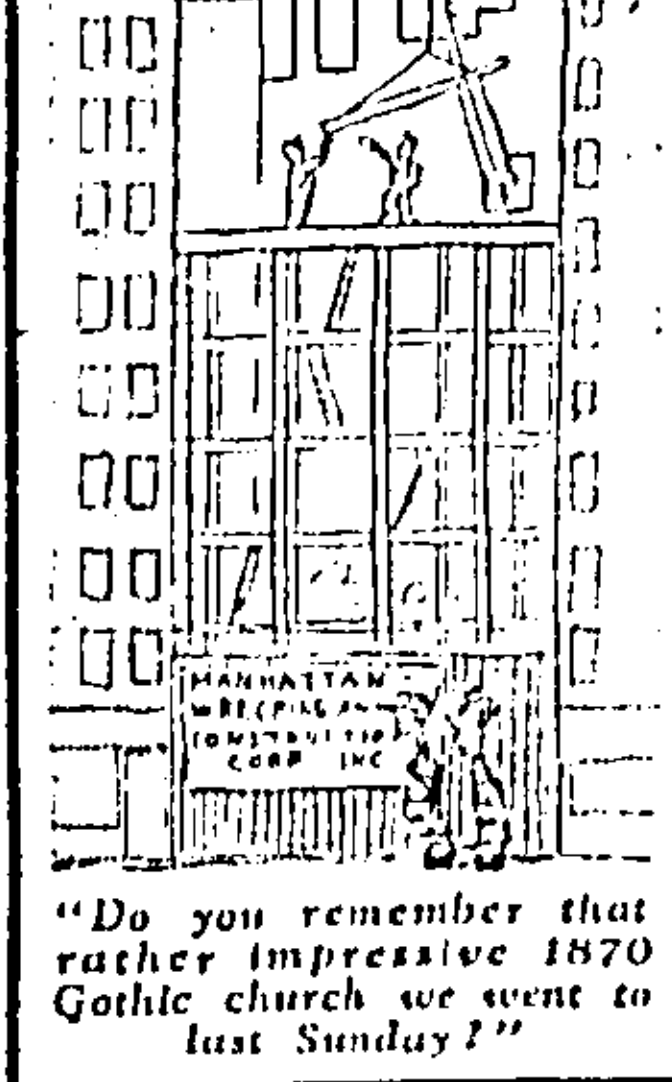
Sir Thorleif Mangin, Chief Commissioner, said the Gold Coast Government had asked the BBC and the British Parliament several times to do something about these broadcasts.

The chief's request for a separate news bulletin from London was impracticable because West African and Canadian broadcasts were on the same frequency.

Ofori Atta and other chiefs, rejecting this reply as unsatisfactory, are to raise the question again.

## POCKET CARTOON

—from America  
by OSBERT LANCASTER



## FAVOURITE GI. PIN-UP GIRL

During the war, Adele Mara was voted the U.S. Armed Forces's most popular pin-up girl. On the principle of giving the boys what they want, Miss Mara is also the chief pin-up girl of a new film about the war.

## URGES WINE TO BE TAKEN WITH FOOD

A wine expert who began his education in the exacting art at the age of seven says people should drink wine as they eat food, "as they like it, not with a lot of folderol."

Major Philip H. Harrison, who supervised the management of wine cellars in occupied Rome after the entry of American troops, said he is "sick and tired of the posers and pretenders who delude people on the subject of wine."

"Wine should be a pleasure, not a problem," Harrison said. "Harrison has little respect for 'label snobs' who buy various, they run reports on the girls who drew the most mail. They told me I topped them all."

"They ran my picture 27 times, or more than any other pin-up girl. In fact, the only people who got their pictures in Yank more times than I did were President Roosevelt and General Eisenhower."

Gen. MacArthur came in fourth. "Miss Adele Mara is without doubt the Armed Forces' most popular pin-up girl," Yank commented editorially in early 1945.

"I made sure the executives at the studio heard all about this, a number of times," Miss Mara added. "I think that may have had something to do with their giving me the part."—United Press.

## P.E.N. CONGRESS

The 22nd International Congress of PEN—the World Association of Writers—will be held in the 300-year-old buildings of George Heriot School, Edinburgh, Scotland, in August.

The meeting of the Congress will overlap with the early part of the Edinburgh International Festival of Music and Drama. About 400 delegates from all parts of the world are expected to attend.

Mr Eric Linklater, the Scottish President of PEN, has announced that the theme of this year's Congress will be "The Drama." Technical and non-technical subjects of interest to writers will also be discussed.

The last time the Congress met in Edinburgh was 15 years ago when the late Mr H. G. Wells was the International President.

## U.K. Exporting Chopsticks

Manufacturers of the traditional chopstick, fashioned from bamboo, say that it can be unsanitary and always liable to have a splinter in the mouth. Luxury models, made of ivory, are on the other hand, beyond the means of any but the wealthiest families.

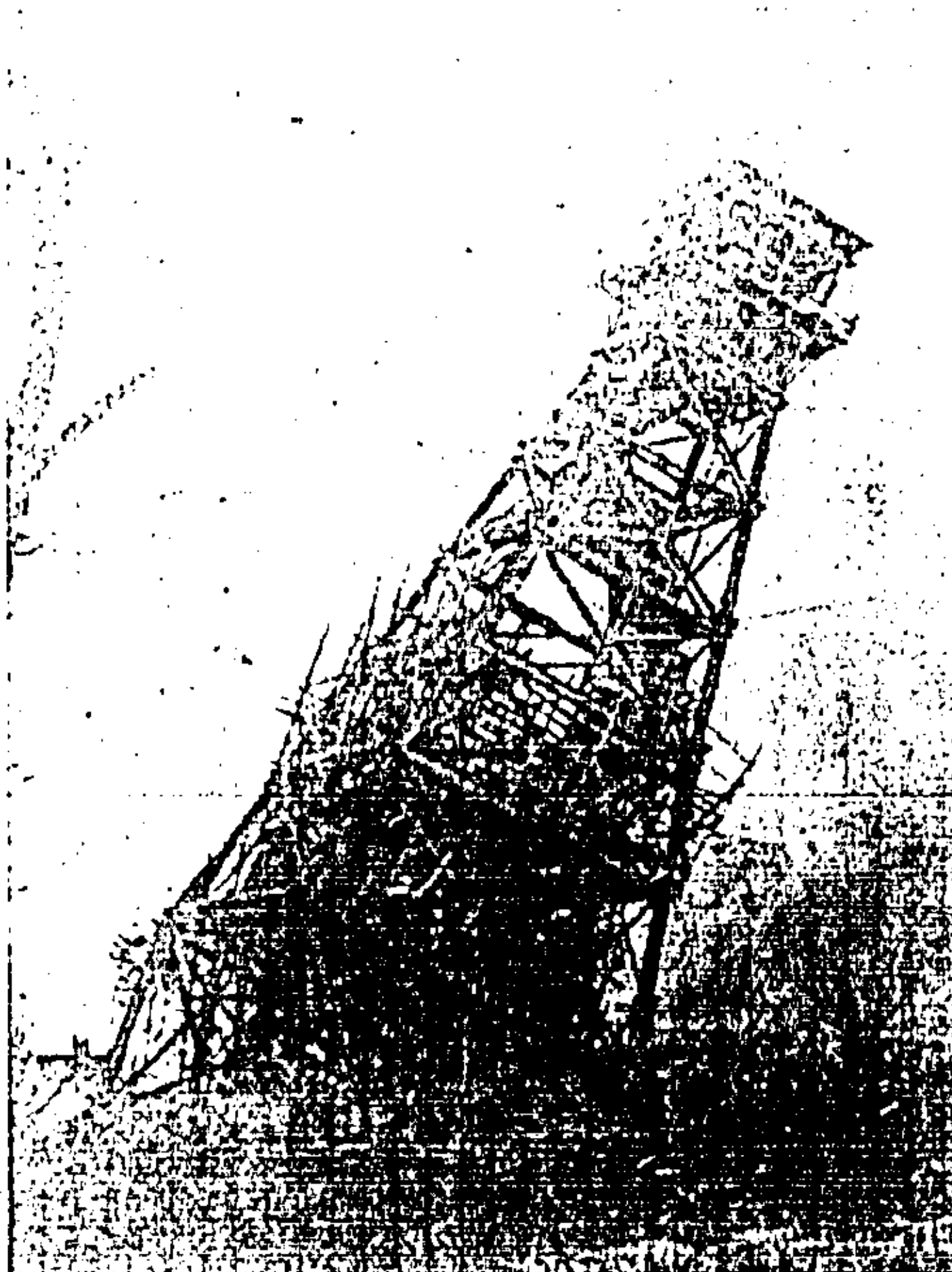
For the general user, however, a United Kingdom firm has now evolved plastic chopsticks. More than 500,000 pairs—claimed to be a very near substitute for ivory—have already been sent to families in the Far East. The makers will be displaying examples of chopsticks and other plastic ware in the Plastic Section, at Earls Court, of the British Industries Fair in May.

## "Sarge" Had A Heart Of Gold

Eighty-four-year-old John George Savage, of Westbury Park, Bristol, has died. It is sad news for thousands of past and present boys of Bristol Grammar School, who remember him with affection as the unusually stern "School Sergeant" who, they always said, "had a heart of gold."

Sergeant Savage served 21 years, with the Gloucestershire Regiment. After leaving the Army he became instructor to the 4th Gloucesters and was appointed drill instructor to the Grammar School Cadet Corps in 1902. Six years later he became head porter—"School Sergeant"—at the Grammar School, retiring in 1937.

## NEWS IN PICTURES



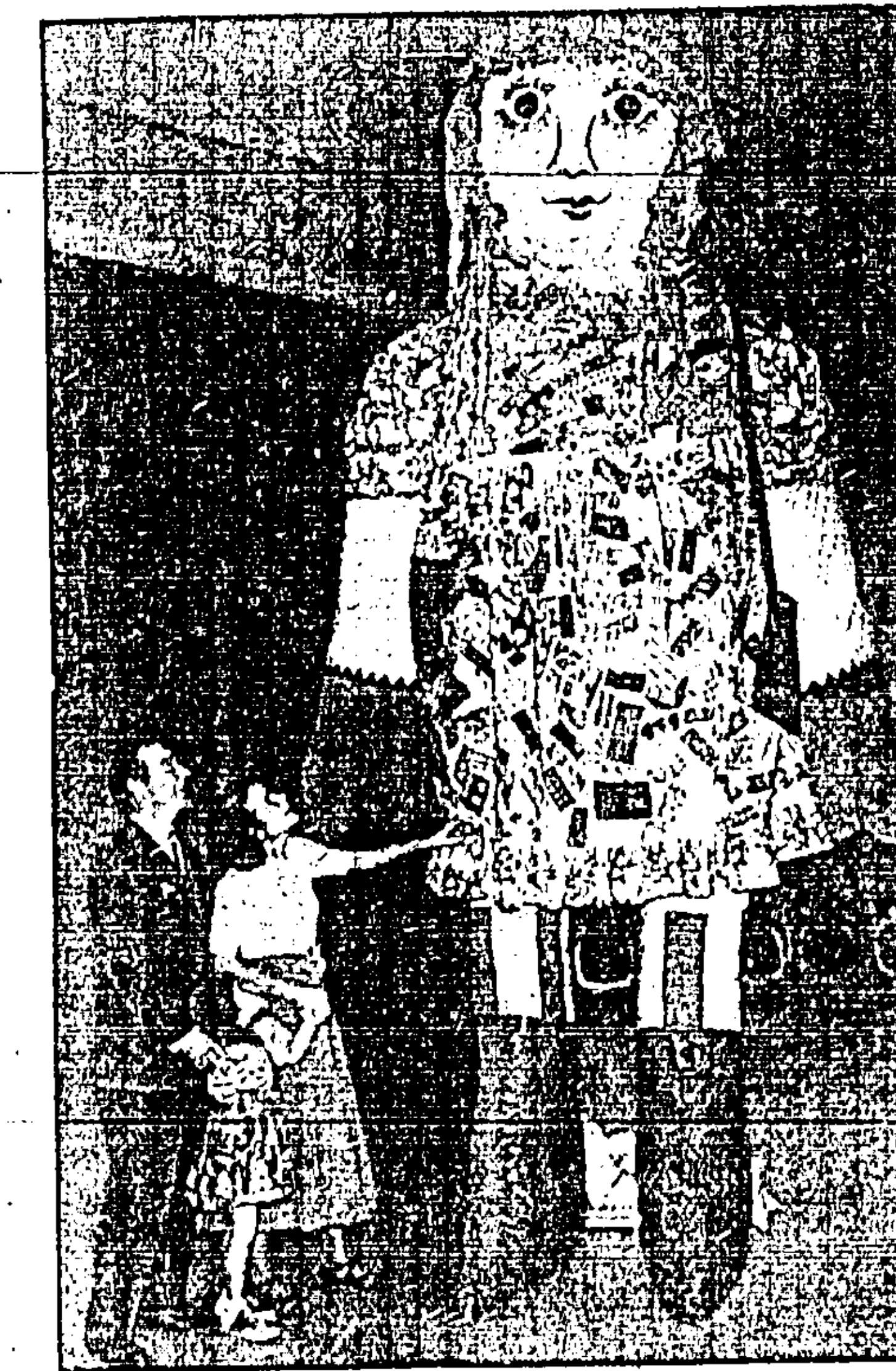
UNHAPPY ENDING—This 120-foot wooden control tower at Andrews Field, Maryland, was blown up by a demolition team. Built in 1943, the tower was condemned as unsafe and had to go to make room for other developments.



WEIRD FORMATION—"Ghost Trees" is the title that Louise Broman Janson of Chicago gives this ribbon winner in the Fifth International Nature Photography Exhibit at Chicago's Natural History Museum. The formation of the stumps adds much interest.



SIMILAR IN SOME WAYS—Blair Cherry, football coach at the University of Texas, extends best wishes to Cherry Blair, a freshman co-ed. Miss Blair was named for Mr Cherry, and now she's a candidate for Aqua Queen at the College.



FROM SCRAPS—When radio listeners complied with a request to send in scraps of cloth, this 15-foot doll was made by Mrs Cecile Thompson of Pacific Palisades, California. The doll is now on tour helping to collect money for prevention of polio.

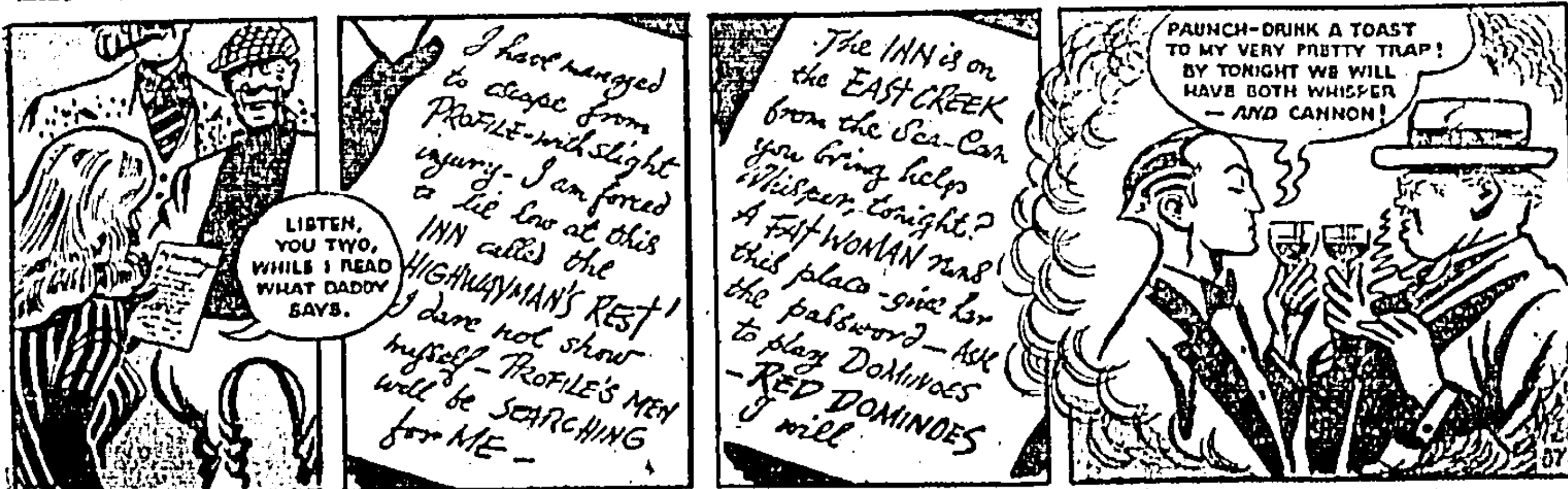


ALL BY HIMSELF—Little Earl Lewis Parker, two-year-old diabetes victim of Denver, Colorado, has learned to give himself life-saving insulin injections. His parents believe it may help the boy adjust himself to the disease.



LIKE GOOD OLD DAYS—Police in Boston were taken back to prohibition days when they staged a surprise raid on a private home. They confiscated 450 gallons of illegal wine when a 12-year-old girl led them to the dwelling after discovering the distillery.

## K. O. CANNON . . . . . The Riddle of the Red Domino









## PARISIANS RALLY TO BREAK TRAFFIC STRIKE

### Lewis Encourages Chrysler Strike

Washington, Mar. 6.—John L. Lewis today offered to lend \$1,000,000 to CIO United Auto Workers to support its Chrysler strike. Lewis wrote to UAW President Walter Reuther, that he had been authorized by the 200-member United Mine Workers policy committee to advance UAW the cash loan.—United Press.

## BIG THREE MINISTERS TO MEET

Paris, Mar. 6.—The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, said today that there would shortly be a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of France, Britain and the United States.

He told a Press conference that they would discuss among other things, the development of relations with Germany, including the question of the "cessation of the state of war."

M. Schuman said that no place, date or agenda had yet been fixed.

M. Schuman said that the Big Three conference would also study for Eastern questions.

He would be discussing the matter with Mr. Ernest Bevin in London this week.

Asked about the possibility of a Big Four conference including Russia, M. Schuman replied: "Let the Big Three first consider the question of a meeting of the Big Four before we go into that."

He said that the Big Three meeting would take place "some time in spring."—Reuter.

## Japanese Princess On Marriage

Tokyo, Mar. 6.—Empress Hirohito's eldest daughter said today that Japanese girls planning to marry "would make no mistake if they obeyed their husbands."

The 24-year-old Mrs. Shigeo Higashikuni—former Princess Shigeo Tera—said in her first radio interview since this counsel when asked if she had any advice for her unmarried friends.

Mrs. Higashikuni admitted she was having a tough time now to make both ends meet compared to her former life as Princess. Her 34-year-old husband, who did not have to work before the democratic constitution was adopted because of State allotments, is now a clerk in a bank with a nominal salary.

The Emperor's daughter said she recently received payment for a magazine article—the first money she ever earned—but had to spend it for household expenses.

Today was Empress Nagako's 47th birthday but the Japanese press gave only the briefest mention to the day. She spent the day quietly with Hirohito, Crown Prince Akihito and other members of the family.—United Press.

## H-Bomb Horrifics

Madison, Wisconsin, Mar. 6.—An enemy able to deliver 35 hydrogen bombs in surprise attacks, "could decimate the metropolitan population" of the 27 largest cities in the United States, a nuclear physicist said today.

In a lecture at the University of Wisconsin, Dr. R. E. Lapp urged the organization of a civilian defence establishment which would prepare, warn, and protect the public against super-bomb raids.

Dr. Lapp said: "If we alone possessed the hydrogen bomb, it might serve as a temporary deterrent to aggression, but we know now that what American scientists can do, so can the Russians."—United Press.

## FINANCIAL TALKS

New York, Mar. 6.—The Israeli Consulate announced today that David Horowitz, director of the Israeli Treasury, will leave for Israel on Tuesday after private financial discussions in New York and Washington. Horowitz declined to discuss the nature of his talks in New York and Washington.—United Press.

## Labour Chaos Spreading Over The Country

Paris, Mar. 6.—Secretaries drove to work with their employers, shops and offices sent delivery vans to pick up employees and thousands of people cycled, walked or got lifts in private cars when Paris transport workers began their strike today.

It was a day of "get to the office as best as you can," but the strike, involving 32,000 men, did not stop the normal life of the city.

The Government put 3,000 vehicles, ranging from police vans to open Army lorries, into the crowded streets. Riders paid a set fare irrespective of the distance.

The strikers have pledged themselves to stay out until they win their demands for higher wages and a monthly bonus of 3,000 francs. It is feared that the strike may spread throughout the nation.

Bus and tram workers in Marseilles and Lyons were on a 24-hour strike today. A partial strike of ground staff at the main Paris airports at Le Bourget and Orly is threatened.

Seventy percent of workers in Paris chemist shops were reported by the Communist-led General du Travail (CGT) to be on strike today. Two hundred and fifty thousand metal workers were on the 10th day of their strike, which is reported to be spreading in parts of Eastern France. Gas and electricity workers were also considering strike action later today.

### EFFECT BLUNTED

Non-Communist transport workers swarmed over half of the Paris underground in two days and this reverse was enough to blunt the effect of the Communist-led strike.

Beginning before dawn, the strike cut morning rush-hour traffic severely, but workers returning the evening found eight of the 14 underground lines still running normally. The 1,000 of the 1,000 Paris buses running normally. The three non-Communist unions said that they had ordered no stoppage in support of the strikers' higher wage demands, and were negotiating.

## Reform Plans In Sudan

Khartoum, March 6.—Wide-spread reforms were outlined at the opening of the Sudan Legislative Assembly today by the Governor General, Sir Robert Howe, including measures for greater participation of the Sudanese people in the government and more direct elections.

The Legislative Assembly will be asked to enable members of the Khartoum Sect headed by Sayed Sir Ali El Mirghani Pasha to take part in the Assembly.

The Sect, which was allied with the pro-Egyptian bloc, boycotted the elections in 1948. Recently, however, spokesmen of the Sect stated that they would participate if the necessary legislation were passed.

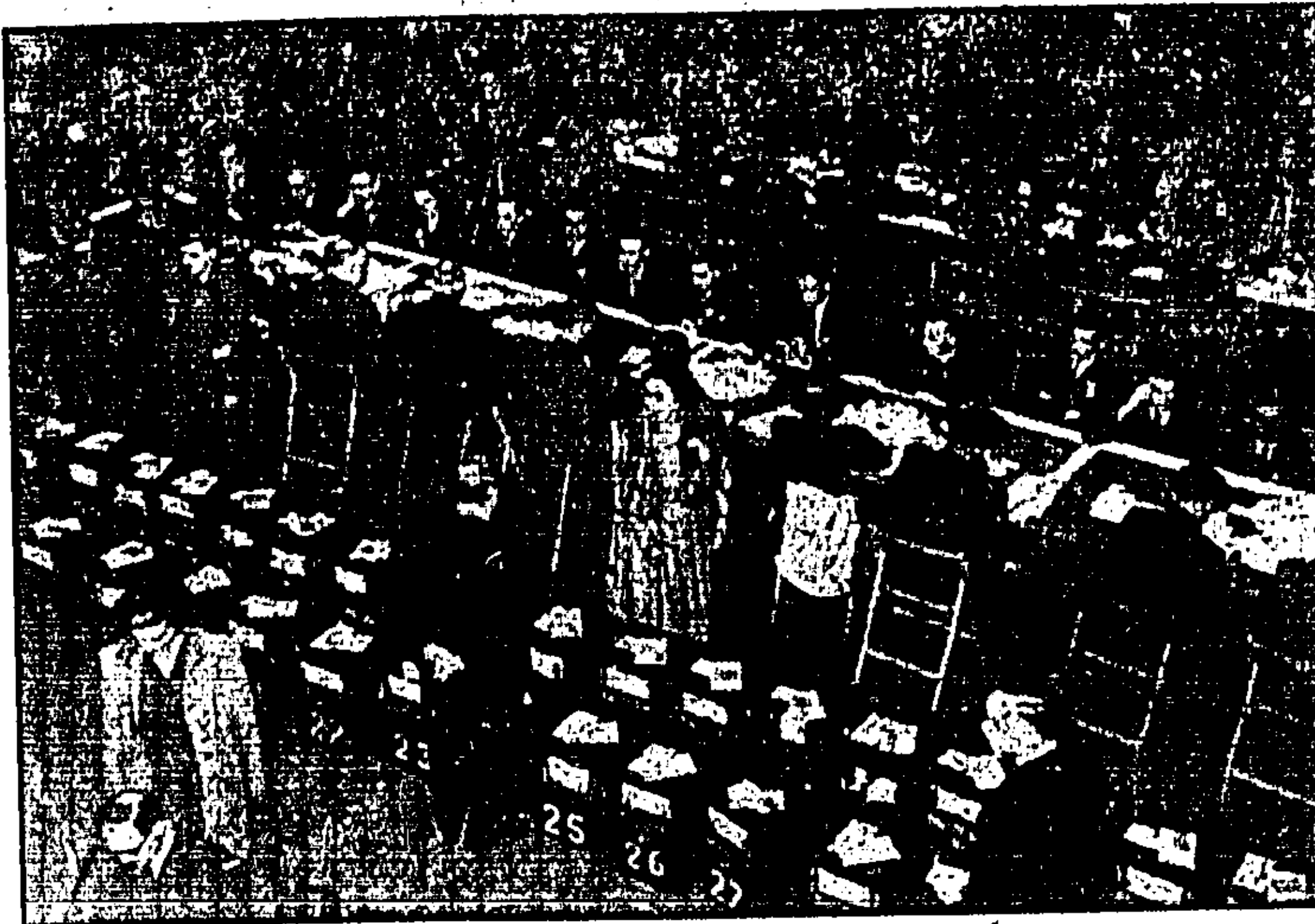
Other measures to be introduced include schemes for irrigation, health, and education and facilities for trade expansion.—Associated Press.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"It looks a lot like rain tonight—I wonder if your father thinks more of his new car with the automatic drive than he does of that beautiful new dress of yours!"

## Counting The Votes At Lambeth



A general view of the lines of unopened ballot boxes at Flodden Road, Camberwell, after voting in the general election ceased.

## Costly Victory For U.S. Coal Miners

Pittsburgh, Mar. 6.—The break-up of the worst mine strike in history sent a million tons of coal pouring into the nation's nearly empty coal bins today.

The back to work movement sent more than 372,000 striking soft coal miners back to the pits. Railroads and heavy industry, almost paralysed by the long strike, started to go back to normal.

Thousands of miners refused to work until they had received "official" word from the UMW president, Mr. John L. Lewis, on the new wage—boosting contract. Coal production was expected to hit normal tomorrow.

Coal-hauling railroads called back crewmen and shop workers, who were on furlough, to handle shipments. The steel industry turned up the heat in gas furnaces and automobile production lines speeded up. The rank and file of the union hailed the new contract as a "real victory," but it was a costly one.

The miners missed US\$1,559 each in wages during the nine-month contract fight. A coal industry official estimated that it would take 14 years, working 200 days a year, for the miners to make up the loss with the 70-cent daily wage increase and 10 cent-per-ton boost in royalty payments to the welfare fund.

Government officials predicted that it would take the nation's industry two months to get over the effects of the coal famine.—United Press.

## Panama Increase Postponed

Washington, March 6.—President Truman today postponed an increase in the Panama Canal tolls under April 1, 1951, pending Congressional action on the proposed reorganization of Panama Canal and Panama Railroad Company.

The increased tolls, originally ordered in 1948 and first postponed until April 1, 1950, would raise the rate from 50 cents a ton for a loaded ship to the statutory maximum of \$1.00 per ton.—United Press.

## SOVIET REMINDED

London, Mar. 6.—Britain cannot accept any responsibility for delay in concluding the Austrian State Treaty, a Foreign Office spokesman declared today.

Commenting on yesterday's Soviet note to Austria, blaming the Western Powers for the delay, he said that the treaty had been held up by the direct Soviet-Austrian negotiations on the question of payment for Russian supplies to Austria.

More than three months had passed since Austrian proposals on Soviet claims had been made.

The Western Foreign Ministers' deputies had originally agreed to meet for his chief-liaison of the Barmann-Water tribe, announced tonight that the British Government had decided that he must not return to his homeland for five years without permission.

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## PERON LOSING GROUND

Buenos Aires, Mar. 6.—Incomplete results for yesterday's local elections in the Argentine Province of Entre Rios indicated today that supporters of President Juan Peron have lost ground there during the past 15 months.

Up to midway the Peronists had 79,010 votes against 52,033 for the Radicals. In the December, 1948, election for delegates to the Convention which reformed the Constitution, the Peronists tallied 68,337 votes in the Province and the Radicals 49,697.—Reuter.

## Vietnam Reds Claim Success

San Francisco, March 6.—The Vietnamese Communist news agency claimed the capture of Phou, on the Red River, 25 miles from the Chinese border, the Peking Radio announced. "The French defence line on the river was smashed as a result of the capture. Vietnamese troops are now besieging Nohindo, the only remaining French stronghold on the river," the radio said.—United Press.

## LAUNCH SUNK

Manila, Mar. 7.—A Constabulary report today said a small motor launch, Miss Pagdalan, sank on Saturday in heavy seas off the southern part of Zamboanga Province, resulting in the death of seven persons and the disappearance of at least 15 others.

The launch was engaged in a coastal service, between South Zamboanga towns.—United Press.

## Legislation On Communists

Washington, Mar. 6.—The United States Senate Judiciary Committee has approved a Bill to make registration of American Communists and officers of Communist front organizations compulsory. The Bill would bar Communists from appointments to Federal positions and criminal action would be taken against any Government official supplying classified information to a subversive person.—Reuter.



A soldier in the Scots Guards recording his vote at Castle Lane School, Buckingham Gate, on Thursday, February 23.

## Five-Year Ban On Seretse

London, Mar. 6.—Khamu Seretse, who came to London to fight for his chief-liaison of the Barmann-Water tribe, announced tonight that the British Government had decided that he must not return to his homeland for five years without permission.

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## McCormick's Words Of Wisdom

Bombay, Mar. 6.—Colonel Robert McCormick, publisher of the Chicago Tribune, today denounced here President Truman's civil rights programme as "a new form of slavery."

The American newspaper magnate who arrived in India today "to learn about this great country," told Reuter, "I believe that every employee must have freedom to choose his employer and every employer freedom to choose his employee."

On the outlook for India, Colonel McCormick said, "Just as we in America have been able to solve numerous difficulties of or independence, this country will solve hers."

On China he said, "The Chinese may enter into alliance with Russia for political purposes, but I don't think that they will become Communists."

Colonel McCormick is going to Colombo tomorrow and is expected to reach New Delhi, the Indian capital, on March 11.—Reuter.

## Seizure Of Catholic Church Lands

Warsaw, Mar. 6.—The Polish Government struck a further blow at Catholic power and privilege today when the Prime Minister, M. Jozef Cyrankiewicz, obtained the unanimous approval of the National Assembly of a Government decree empowering the State to take over all Church lands exceeding 250 acres.

Smaller Church estates held by parish priests are exempted from the decree, which will mainly affect the property of the Polish Bishops.

The Premier foreshadowed further Government measures against the Church. He declared that the decree would mean a new turning point in the relations between the Church and the State.

The Premier described the large Church estates as anachronistic and typically great land-holdings where workers were exploited in feudal conditions. Income from the requested donations would go towards the creation of a Church fund to contribute towards relief work and provide social insurance for Church estate workers.—Reuter.

## Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 6. "Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary, 6.02. "It's 5 o'clock, 6.30, 'Cantonese by Radio'—Given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and Miss K. Lee (Studio); 6.30, Paul Weston and His Orchestra; 7. World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 7.15, 'Letter from America'—Presented by Alan Cooke (London Relay Recorded); 7.30, 'Songs and Screen Favorites'—Presented by Aileen Woods (Studio); 8. 'From the Editorials' (London Relay); 8.30, 'Box 200'—Bert Gillette at the Hammond Organ; 8.30, 'The Blue Danube'—The True Story of the Strauss Family and Their Contemporaries (Ep. 42); 9. A Century of Music—Richard Strauss and the Symphonic Poem; A Talk by the Rev. Father T. F. Ryan S.J. (Studio); 9.30, The Music of Richard Strauss; 10. Radio News Reel (London Relay); 10.15, Weather Report; 10.16, The Story of the Weather (Studio); 10.20, Popular Vocal Groups; 10.45, Music for Dancing; 11.15, Weather Report; World News and Home News from Britain (London Relay Recorded); God Save the King; 11.30, Close Down.

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## EVERYTHING IN RUBBER GARDEN GROWS LOVELY

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)  
London, Mar. 6.—Healthy optimism will attend the Rubber Study group in Brussels shortly. Present prices—now fully discounting the effect of sterling devaluation—the scarcity of nearby rubber, good forward sales for 1950, and the decline of production and consumption of synthetic rubber in the United States are factors which make the outlook brighter.

Everything in the rubber plantations, in fact, is lovely—at least in the long term view.

The price of well above 1s. 4d. a pound is more than enough to compensate the industry for the loss in terms of dollars following devaluation and producers will be well satisfied if it remains constant at the present level.

They would still be satisfied if the 1950 price fell by a penny a pound. And if forward sales are anything to judge by, there will be no marked reduction in 1950.

From a producer's viewpoint, the present price is the healthiest sign of all. It is high enough to give them a good margin of profit, but not high enough to rank as a boom which is always attended by a risk of slump. And even though the price is higher than that of synthetic, it is not high enough to antagonise American consumers and drive them to greater dependence on synthetic rubber.

SHORT TERM POSITION  
Risks in the short term outlook are not serious enough to cause much worry. Rubber circles still talk in apprehensive terms of large amounts of rubber being hoarded in Indonesia, and if these stocks were released suddenly on the market, they would undoubtedly have a sharp, though temporary, effect on prices.

If the industry itself is healthy the political situation in producing areas leaves room for considerable improvement. Communist bandits and threats from China will have an important bearing on attempts to assess future production. Americans are unduly pessimistic on these lines, but a statement by the Deputy Chairman of the British Rubber Development Board may have a reassuring effect. He said that planters in Malaya did not share American pessimism. Banditry is on a small scale.—Our Own Correspondent.

## "MERCY KILLING" EVIDENCE

Manchester, New Hampshire, Mar. 6.—Dr. Hermann Sander, giving evidence in his defence today, said that he had never any intention of killing Mrs. Abbie Borroto, his cancer-ridden patient.

The 41-year-old doctor who is on trial for the murder of the woman, said that he called for a syringe on the morning of December 4 last after he had looked at his patient and thought that she was dead. "It was my opinion then that she was dead," Dr. Sander said in a calm voice. "I cannot explain exactly what action I took then. Something snapped. Why I did it I cannot tell. It does not make sense."

The Defence Counsel, Mr. Ralph E. Banzig, asked: "Did you have any intention of killing Mrs. Borroto?" "I never had any intention of killing Mrs. Borroto," replied the doctor.—Reuter.

## MISSIONARIES & BLOCKADE

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sides in any political aspects of the China scene. But we intend to spare no effort to bring a halt to the Nationalist bombing which is doing China untold harm. Missionary societies are equally concerned and intend to take all possible action."

He said, "We shall vigorously resist any suggestion that the new government in China involves permanent loss to free civilisation of the people with whom we have in the past enjoyed ties of trade association and friendship."

Meanwhile, the Foreign Office was said to have declined to comment on the British commercial interests' representations pending word from the British Charge d'Affaires in Peking.—United Press.

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## They Got Red In The Ears

Montreal, Mar. 6.—A Communist fifth-column scare threw the city into an uproar on Sunday night.

Radio listeners heard over the radio station that bridges, churches, and police headquarters had been captured by Soviet paratroops in a full-scale invasion.

Frightened listeners flooded the station and police switchboards asking: "Have the Reds really invaded Montreal?" that was only a broadcast version of "It Could Happen Tomorrow," a make-believe radio play by French-born Jean Bradley.—United Press.

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# AUSTRALIA WINS FINAL TEST WITH MORE THAN A DAY TO SPARE

Port Elizabeth, Mar. 6.—Australia won the fifth and final Test against South Africa here today by an innings and 259 runs with more than a day to spare. After making the highest total by an Australian team in South Africa—549 runs for seven wickets declared—in their first innings, Australia dismissed South Africa for 158 and 132.

The "rubber" had already been decided, Australia winning the first three Tests with the fourth drawn.

There were no extenuating circumstances for South Africa's hollow defeat since the wicket, which absorbed a little rain just before the start today, was in perfect condition and still easy-paced. It was more amenable to spin, but the Australian spinners, Ian Johnson and Colin McCool, were not able to turn the ball sharply.

The failures of the new No. 3, Ron Draper, and the middle batsmen, D. Begbie and P. Winslow, and lapses in the field—five catches were dropped when Australia were batting—were mainly responsible for South Africa's defeat.

## Liverpool May Yet Achieve The Double

London, Mar. 6.—The draw for the semi-finals of the Football Association Cup made today resulted as follows:

Chelsea v. Arsenal.  
Liverpool v. Everton.  
Chelsea will meet Arsenal at Tottenham on March 18.

The Liverpool-Everton match will be played one week later, on March 25, at Maine Road, Manchester.

Replays for both matches have been fixed for the following Wednesday at the same grounds:

A North v. South Cup final, with all its attendant glamour and favour, is assured at Wembley Stadium, London, on April 29 as the result of today's draw for the semi-finals.

Liverpool, led to achieve the coveted League and Cup winners' double, meet their local rivals Everton in a repetition of their semi-final clash at Villa Park in the 1949-50 season. On that occasion Liverpool won 2-0 and went on to win the Cup by beating Newcastle 1-0 in the final.

Arsenal, then known as Woolwich Arsenal, were also in the semi-finals that year, losing 2-0 to Newcastle.

**NEW NAME?**

If Chelsea and Liverpool contest the final a new name will be needed for the Cup, Arsenal and Everton are previous winners.

Arsenal's most recent Cup meeting with Chelsea was in the third round in 1946-47, when Chelsea won the second replay by 2-0 after two all draws. That game was also played on Tottenham Hotspur's ground, which has been chosen as the scene of the clash on March 18.

In First Division matches this year, Arsenal won 2-1 at Stamford Bridge, but Chelsea turned the tables by winning 2-2 away a week later.

Everton and Liverpool played a goalless draw in their first League encounter on August 27, but Liverpool won the Charity Shield on September 3-1.

Everton will have a long haul over their heads, will start as underdogs, but must highly fancied sides Tottenham and Derby County.—Reuter.

**ALL-TICKET GAMES**

London, Mar. 6.—Both the semi-final matches in the Football Association Cup will be all-ticket games.

Tottenham Hotspurs announced this afternoon that in agreement with the police the crowd at the Chelsea v. Arsenal match at Tottenham's ground will be limited to 60,000. This is more than 3,000 fewer than saw the England v. Italy game at this ground in November.—Reuter.

## TOMORROW'S MATCHES

London, Mar. 6.—As there are no Football Association Cup replays the following six First Division matches, which should have been played last Saturday, will be played this Wednesday, March 8:

Arsenal v. Middlesbrough.  
Bolton Wanderers v. Everton.  
Chelsea v. Charlton Athletic.  
Derby County v. Portsmouth.  
Liverpool v. Blackpool.  
Manchester United v. Aston Villa.

Wales will meet Ireland in an international match at Wrexham on the same day.—Reuter.

## FANLING GOLF

Jardines beat Asiatic Petroleum Co. (holders) in the first round of the G. M. Young Cup. Dodswells received a walkover from Gibb Livingston.

H. E. Lee (14) qualified for the Capt. J. H. Young Cup on Sunday with a net score of 72.

The Club v. Services match will be played next Sunday, March 12. The Services anticipate fielding a team of approximately 25 players, so far only 18 Club players have put down their names for this match.

Members who have not already signified their wish to play in this match and would like to do so are asked to submit their names to the Club Office as soon as possible.

South Africa's remaining three first innings wickets added 54 runs to Saturday's close of play total of 101 for seven before the innings ended at 158-301 runs behind.

Keith Miller took four wickets for 42 runs. Geoff Noblet took three wickets for 21 runs and Colin McCool two wickets for 29 runs.

Only Dudley Nourse, the Springbok captain, and George Fullerton were able to cope with the Australian attack in the second innings.

Nourse batted with restraint to score 55 in two hours, 35 minutes. He hit one six, off Ian Johnson, who eventually bowled him, and two fours. Fullerton, with 24, and Winslow, who made 11, were the only other batsmen to reach double figures.

Bill Johnston, left-arm medium pacer, who failed to take a wicket in the first innings, captured three for 10 in the second. Ian Johnson had three for 21 and McCool two for 29.

Miller's second innings wicket brought his match figures to five for 60.

The last Australian side to tour South Africa, led by Victor Richardson in 1928, also won four of the Tests and drew one. Altogether 29 Tests have been played between the two countries. Australia has won 22, South Africa one (at Adelaide in 1910-11), and six were drawn.

With two more matches to be played against the Western Province and a South African XI, the Australian tourists are due to leave Cape Town in the Atlantic on April 1.

South Africa failed by 241 runs to avoid the follow-on in reply to the Australian team's first innings total of 549. Their three remaining first innings wickets added 54 in 57 minutes this morning and they were all out 391 runs behind.

"Tuffy" Mann was the hero of the morning play, with a brisk knock which included four sixes, one five and four fours and realized 41 runs—the top score of the innings.

He blasted Ian Johnson and Colin McCool for huge sixes, one of which landed on the pavilion roof. With which share was 39, in 17 minutes for the last wicket.

Rain delayed the start for 15 minutes, but the wicket was still easy paced, although taking more rain.

**HUGE SIXES**

South Africa ended their second innings disastrously, losing the wicket of Eric Rowan, Ron Draper and Jack Nel for 12 runs by lunch.

With the second half of the afternoon over, Rowan was taken in the slips by McCool off Miller. With three runs on the board, Draper was clean bowled by the third ball of Bill Johnston's first over, and with only nine added Nel was out before Bill Johnston off the last ball before lunch.

Phadkar's 10, made in 70 minutes, was the highest score. Four more wickets fell when the Commonwealth went in again. Murawar Ali, bowling very fast, claimed two of them for 18 runs.—Reuter.

## League Cricket Averages

### BATTING:

	Inns.	N.O.	Runs	I.S.	Aver.
T. Grant (R. Navy)	12	3	301	81	37.62
D. A. Oakley (Commonwealth)	12	3	327	75	30.33
R. F. Arthy (Optimists)	15	1	497	70	35.50
A. H. Madhar (IRC)	8	1	228	67	32.57
A. R. Kitchell (IRC)	14	3	345	77	31.36
G. A. Souza (Craigengower)	15	5	284	89	28.40
K. M. Rumlulu (Craigengower)	14	1	364	96	28.00
G. N. Gosane (Recreo)	13	2	205	58	27.72
M. W. Holme (Army)	15	3	330	55	25.50
I. Darbyshire (Army)	9	1	220	46	25.00
L. D. Kilbee (Optimists)	15	3	326	101	25.16
E. N. Gambrell (RAF)	11	2	232	60	25.77
L. F. Stokes (Scorpions)	15	3	308	63	25.60
T. A. Pearce (Scorpions)	11	2	213	61	25.66
A. D. Pantone (RAF)	12	3	212	34	25.55
O. J. Kerr (Scorpions)	15	2	286	52	22.00
F. A. Weller (Scorpions)	13	—	280	53	21.53
K. C. A. Bal (RAF)	13	2	236	60	21.45
E. J. Moorhouse (RAF)	13	1	286	48	20.42
A. Zimmerman (KCC)	15	1	286	48	20.42

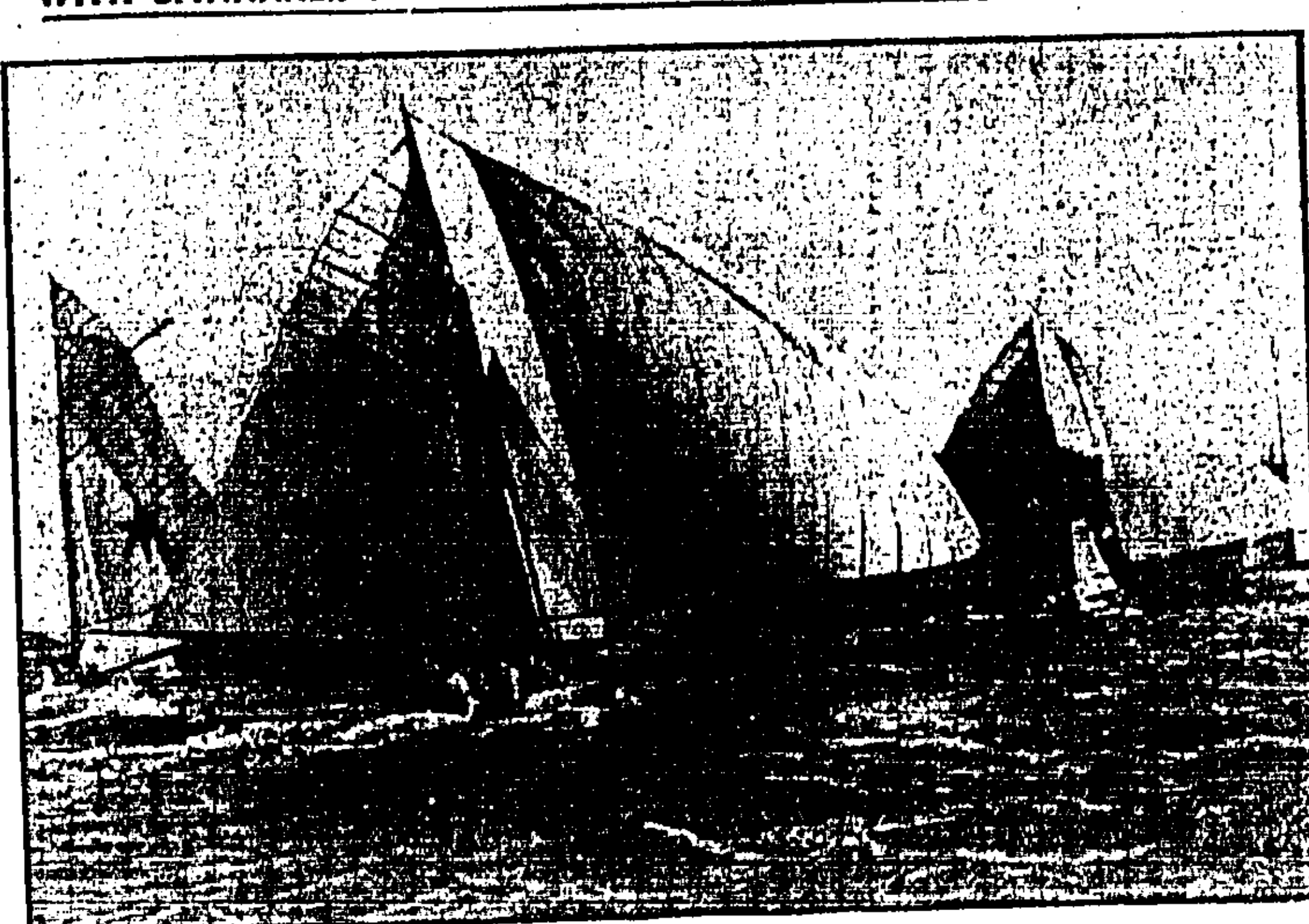
\*Not Out. Qualification: 200 runs for an average over 20.00.

### BOWLING:

	Over	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.
F. Howarth (Scorpions)	253.1	63	549	70
G. N. Gosane (Recreio)	112	23	283	31
P. R. Kermann (KCC)	75.3	16	257	27
A. R. Minu (IRC)	126.4	28	391	40
L. White (R. Navy)	169	43	423	42
L. G. Gosane (Recreio)	67.4	12	217	21
J. C. Koh (University)	62.3	16	219	21
F. A. Weller (Scorpions)	130.2	31	349	32
H. E. Lee (KCC)	122	31	349	32
T. P. Mahon (Optimists)	100.2	23	281	25
R. C. Corfield (Army)	161.1	43	447	38
G. N. Graves (Commandos)	130.4	23	382	31
R. S. Cull (Scorpions)	108	16	353	28
J. C. Tyrer (RAF)	123.4	22	326	25
T. H. Lenn (University)	138.2	30	393	30
E. N. Gambrell (RAF)	109	21	390	23
K. C. A. Balk (RAF)	130.1	21	407	30
W. M. Mitchell (Army)	102.5	13	410	30
A. R. Abbas (IRC)	100.4	18	350	24
Qualification: 20 wickets for an average under 15.00.				

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WITH SPINNAKER SET THE EIGHTEEN FOOTER IS A CLOUD OF SAIL:



## The Fastest Yachts In The Water

After fifty years of experiment Australia has produced the most spectacular open sailboat in the world today—the Eighteen Footer. A boat of seven feet beam and only 21 inches depth, it carries what is literally a cloud of sail. The sail area, which is nearly 2,000 square feet, is fantastic for so small and shallow an open boat, and yet the Eighteen Footer is best in a wind of 32 to 36 miles an hour. And, believe it or not, Mr Ripley, these craft have been known to leap clear of the water in a sudden burst of speed.

The origin of the Eighteen Footer, which had no prototype in any other country, is a matter of controversy. Some contend that it was developed from the "butcher boats" which Sydney providers sent to meet incoming ships, but Peter Cowie, a veteran who built one of the earliest Eighteen Footers 50 years ago, declares that it originated in a shallow-draft skiff or pleasure boat common in Sydney early in the last century. When the owners got tired of rowing about the harbour, he says, they fitted fins and a Bermuda type sail and went sailing instead.

Since the only restrictions placed on the boats for racing purposes relate to the hull, competition in the setting of fantastic spreads of sail once ran riot. The sail area of the modern Eighteen Footer is nothing to what the "old timers" sometimes carried in their efforts to outspeed their competitors. Instead of a mast of 26 ft, which is now the standard, the old Minnawatta once carried a mast of 52 ft. and in a light wind the Britannia used to carry as much as 2,820 sq. ft. of sail.

Since the sky was the limit, all kinds of extra sails were tried out. They set "acroprene" spinnakers, with holes to spill the wind, and some carried "waterfalls," set below the boom to catch the last drop of wind, but neither of these sails proved successful and were eventually scrapped. But they retained the "ringtail" which is an adaptation of the stallails, sometimes set by square riggers, and gives six or seven feet extra width to the mainsail.

**THE MODERN BOAT**

The modern Eighteen Footer, which thousands of fans flock to watch racing in Sydney Harbour every week, dates from eleven years ago. The new boats are much more streamlined than the old Eighteen Footers. Where the old boats pushed their way through the water, the new ones plane over the top.

The new boats are much lighter too, since they are fitted with hollow masts and spars and carry sails of finely woven Japan and Egyptian silk instead of the old duck and canvas. The sail plan has been altered so the mainsail is not so large as the ones the veterans carried, but the overall spread of sail is on an average greater.

The spread of the new boats is deeper and narrower than those of their predecessors and three mastsails and four jibs are carried for varying winds. The spinnaker is fixed to a 30-foot pole and has an area of 500 sq. ft. When the wind is blowing at 32 miles an hour the Eighteen Footer is reefed down and carries a bare 1,400 sq. ft. of sail. Winds over 36 miles an hour do not show the yachts to advantage, since they ship too much water. The centre-plates of the new boats are deeper and narrower than those of their predecessors and three mastsails and four jibs are carried for varying winds. The spinnaker is fixed to a 30-foot pole and has an area of 500 sq. ft. When the wind is blowing at 32 miles an hour the Eighteen Footer is reefed down and carries a bare 1,400 sq. ft. of sail. Winds over 36 miles an hour do not show the yachts to advantage, since they ship too much water.

**Dick Button Well In The Lead**

London, Mar. 6.—Richard Button, of the United States, led after the compulsory figures of the World Figure Skating Championships for men at the Wembley Pool today.

Button, the World Champion, scored 824.71 points. His nearest challenger was Ed Kidette, the Hungarian Champion, who scored 778.08 points.—Reuter.

**JANY TO MEET THE JAPANESE?**

Sao Paulo, Mar. 6.—The State of Sao Paulo Sports Department told the United Press today that it has officially invited the famous French swimmer, Alex Jany, to compete together with the Japanese swimming aces during the Brazilian Championships. It added that if Jany accepts the State of Sao Paulo will pay all the costs of his trip.—United Press.

## BURPHAM A CLEAR FAVOURITE FOR THE LINCOLNSHIRE

London, Mar. 6.—Heavy support for the Duke of Norfolk's Burpham made him a clear favourite for the Lincolnshire Handicap when the cards were called over on the spring double at the Victoria Club tonight.

Freebooter retained his position as first choice for the Grand National, but the odds were extended half a point.

Burpham, four-year-old son of Hyperion, shared joint favouritism with Dramatic at last week's call-over, but his price was slashed 1½ points to 19 to 2, while Dramatic remained unchanged at 100 to 9.

**MONAVEEN SLIPS**

The Royal National hope, Monaveen, was easier to back, slipping from 100 to 8 to 18 to 1, but a stable companion Lord, Mildmay, Cromwell, strengthened to share second favouritism with Bolmond at 100 to 6.

The defeat of last year's Grand National winner, Rustan Hero, at Southwell today was reflected by a three-point extension of his price to 25 to 1. A feature of the call-over was the loss of favour for Barnes Park in the Lincolnshire and Fighting Line in the National. Two weeks ago both horses were offered in the twenties. Now they can be backed at double those odds.

**QUOTATIONS**

Lincolnshire Handicap  
19 to 2 Burpham.  
100 to 9 Dramatic.  
100 to 8 Fair Judgment.  
100 to 7 Transatlantic.  
100 to 6 Bobo.  
22 to 1 Goldsbrough.  
25 to 1 Star Point.  
28 to 1 Pompos.  
33 to 1 Thundrphie, Roe du Diable, Fancy Fly, Jamaica Flame, Teao and Grand.  
40 to 1 Laverstone and Barnes Park.

**Grand National**  
19 to 2 Freebooter.  
100 to 9 Cromwell and Bolmond.  
18 to 1 Monaveen.  
25 to 1 Rustan Hero, Shagreen and Soda.  
33 to 1 Gallery, Angel Hill.

## Two "Gardens" For New York

Work is likely to begin this spring on New York's new "Madison Square Garden," at Columbus Circle, the local orators' Marble Arch. When it is finished, there will be two "Gardens"—neither of them anywhere near Madison Square.

Plans give the second one more seats than the one on Eighth Avenue, about 10,000. There will be shops and many kinds of public facilities not even remotely connected with sport.

But when the two Gardens are operating, it will mean that there will be room for both the boxing and professional basketball on the same nights, for the boxing and professional basketball and Bailey circus to run simultaneously.

**TROON SAYS "NO"**

Troon, where the Open Golf Championship will be played, refuses to alter its course for the big occasion. It is good to hear of Club officials with a healthy belief in their own countryside.

This course is shorter than other Championship courses. With a few minor changes Troon will measure 6,553 yards. The officials of the club are rightly annoyed at the rumour implying the construction of special tiered boxes and many new bunkers for the Open. With courage and good sense, they intend that the course shall stand on its merits.

By doing so they are braver than the officials of other courses where the Championship has been played in the past. Special tiers were constructed, which sometimes entailed the building of a new tier of 100 yards or more. Extra bunkers were constructed, too. By these alterations the scoring was raised, but the character of the course was destroyed.

Troon may be on the short side judged by championship standards, but no one will make a fool of it. It has a subtle character, and if the wind blows, as it often does there, it can be the devil and all.

This will be Troon's second Championship. Its first was in 1923 when Arthur Havers won.

**FOR WIMBLEDON**

I wish we could put into our Davis Cup teams some of the players from that of Australia. Bill Sidwell, for instance, and Geoff Brown, who did not get in even in the year when he was a Wimbledon finalist.

Sidwell is coming to England on a combined business and lawn-tennis trip and intends to play in our Championships.

Brown, who will be honeymooning in England this year, has been accredited by the Lawn Tennis Association of Australia to represent his country in certain English tournaments. Brown was absent from all major Australian Championships this season through illness.

Either of them may upset any one at Wimbledon.—BRUCE HARRIS.

## Jack Doyle - Wrestler

BY ARCHIE QUICK

The elegant Jack Doyle who used to be called the singing boxer made his debut the other week as an all-in wrestler, and got £2,000 for providing entertainment for an audience of 10,000. Doyle, for all his Loch Ness-side training, had a roll of fat round his waistline that approximated to a motor tyre, while his opponent whose name was given as Butch and his address given as Kohila, Estonia, spoke to me with a surprising Cockney intonation in his voice.

Neither of them displayed much more than elementary grappling holds, but at least fifty per cent. of the customers seemed to enjoy it while the other stood by the best that could be said of it was that Doyle was as good a showman as ever.

Doyle was heralded into the ring by a fanfare or trumpets and played out of it by a troop of pipers. He wore a gorgeous green and white silk dressing gown and an abbreviated pair of American swim-shorts.

Promoter Atholl Calkins, who himself was a fine wrestler two decades ago, says he intends to present Doyle while the irrepressible Irishman told me that he has in view a grand tour of the United States where he hopes to earn more money than that big "Big Boy" Carnahan. Current by the way, is in the £100,000 a year class according to the United States revenue authorities. Seems to me there is no end to the financial punishment the paying public are willing to inflict.

This was exemplified by the fact that simultaneously only 8,000 people turned up to a very good boxing tournament at Earl's Court. I am told that Albert Finch, the Croydon lad who is challenging the very unforgotten to have the points decision given against him in his fight with "Baby Day," a coloured American. The tournament unearthened yet another promising heavy-weight in John McElroy, of Dorking, who good judges tell me, has a future.

## Spence Beats Tsui Yun-Pui

After a marathon first set which lasted nearly an hour, Li-Col. J. Spence, playing superlative tennis, passed into the fourth round of the Colony's Open Singles Tennis Tournament yesterday when he beat Tsui Yun-pui, 6-7, 6-3.

Gaining the better of the base line duels, Spence's devastating overhead smashers were more than ample recompense against Tsui's short spinning lobs just over the net.

In the first set, Tsui led 5-3 at one time.

Other results were:  
Li-Liang beat Nolin Chan 6-0, 7-3; Choy Tin-fook beat Thomas 6-0, 6-1; A. Soares beat L. Erickson 6-3, 6-0, 6-1; C. C. Wen beat A. L. Nery 6-0, 6-1. In the Club contest A.P. Jensen beat M. Hearn 6-2.

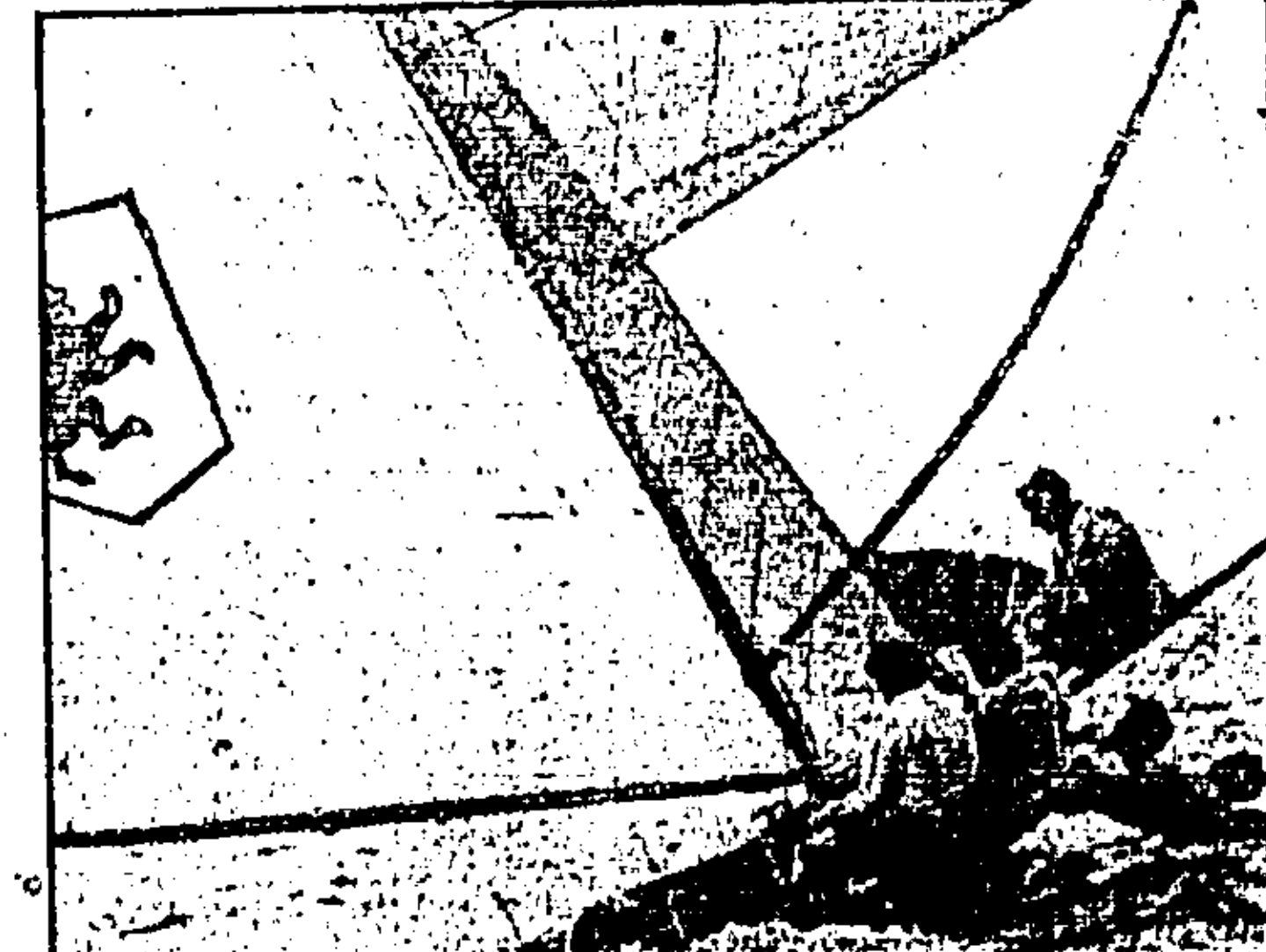
## Badminton Results

The following are the results of yesterday's badminton matches played at VRC:

School Boys' Doubles—F. Allay and J. Pomeroy, Jr. beat F. Folis and D. Lambooy 15-5, 15-0.  
Junior Men's Singles—M. H. Liang beat L. H. Tan 15-9, 15-17.  
15-7; J. A. Soares beat L. Erickson 15-9, 15-11; C. C. Wen beat A. L. Nery 15-4, 15-1.  
Junior Mixed Doubles—N. K. Chin and K. K. Loke beat F. M. Chibiro and T. E. Rodrigues 15-5, 15-10.  
Junior Mixed Doubles—C. M. Quinn and Miss Y. Franco beat A. C. Conroy and Miss C. Silva 15-9, 15-7.  
The School Boys Singles game played between Anthony Chung and Fan Chun-hong was postponed.

## Rugger Results

London, Mar. 6.—Wakefield Trinity drew with Dewsbury two all while Bradford Northern beat Keighley by 13 to 0 in the first round of the Rugby League Cup, second round, matches played today.—Reuter.



Balancing the boat calls for acrobatic agility, hardihood and endurance.



# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Ill-Advised Double Adds To The Score

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

It would take a comedian like Milton Berle to get a laugh out of today's hand. It does not seem possible for the dealer to make his contract, but as Mr Berle often says, "Never say anything, it is impossible until you at least give it a try."

Of course West should not have doubted. Had he not doubted he might have set the

♠ 8653	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ KQJ10	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ 2	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ 107	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ 4	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ 43	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ AKQ1064	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ 76	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ Rubber—E-W vul.	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ South West North East	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ Pass 2 4 Pass	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ 3 Pass 3 N.T. Pass	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ 4 Double Pass Pass	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7
♠ Opening—AK	♥ 7	♦ 8653	♣ 7

contract. Double dummy, however, the contract can be defeated. If West happens to open a club, even with a spade opening, doesn't it look as if the declarer has to lose two spades, one diamond and at least one heart?

Follow the play: West opened the king of spades, which held the trick. The continued with the ten of spades, which East won with the ace. He returned the six of spades. Declarer trumped with the four of hearts, cashed the ace and king of hearts and learned the sad news.

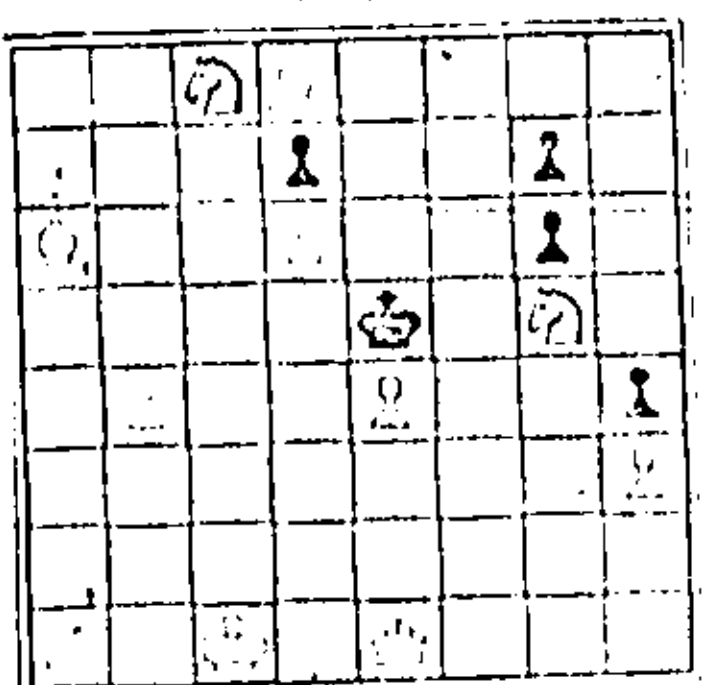
He knew West originally held four spades. Declarer led a club and won the trick in dummy with the king, then trumped dummy's last spade. He cashed the ace and king of diamonds and the ace of clubs.

Declarer led a diamond, which West had to trump with the seven of hearts. He now had to lead from his jack-ten of hearts into declarer's queen-ten and the contract was made.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By E. ORSINI

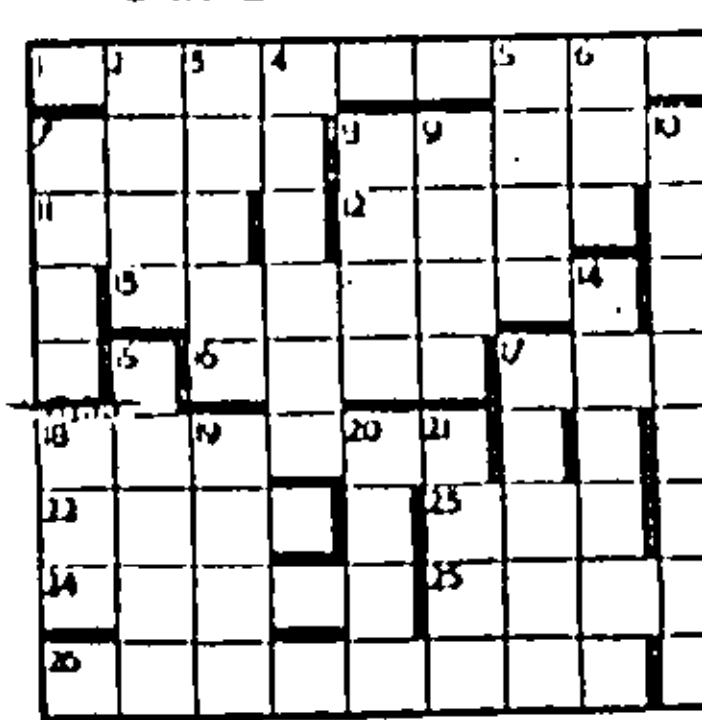
Black, 5 pieces.



White, 10 pieces.  
White to play and make in turn.  
Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. R-B1, 1... K-Q3; 2. R-B3; 1... K-Q3; 3. R-B3; 1... K-B3; 2. R-K1.

## CROSSWORD



Across  
1. Well-known stopper with a military title. (5)  
2. It's very loud in a rigid sort of way. (5)  
3. What a beast! (3)  
4. Outer covering. (4)  
5. This is your legacy. (7)  
6. Redden. (4)  
7. You'd do a good turn to get this started. (3)  
8. This way out, please! (6)  
9. Tire in a motor car. (4)  
10. The Scottish cow. (3)  
11. Half a century in a kitchen receptacle. (6)  
12. It's at the end of the line. (4)  
13. Do they work in drawing-rooms? (6)

Down  
1. A bar for the nomadic traveler. (4)  
2. Odd man out in the pack. (3)  
3. You'll never see through this (6)  
4. Fancy getting them out of the silo. (4)  
5. Backward. (3)  
6. This product. (4)  
7. Murphy's spade. (4)  
8. The golfer's cry. (4)  
9. Good example of stationery. (4)  
10. Lowest form of drier. (6)  
11. Nimble. (3)  
12. Machine that would be a test to a saint. (5)  
13. A guide. (4)  
14. Monks. (4)  
15. A broken lever. (4)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle. Across  
1. Girth. 2. Mate. 3. Blunder. 4. Rattle. 5. Dope. 6. Saw. 7. Yaw. 8. Noise. 9. Accident. 10. French. 11. Drove. 12. Ash. 13. Pious. 14. Pad. 15. Rattle. 16. Rattle. 17. Rattle. 18. Rattle. 19. Rattle. 20. Rattle. 21. Rattle. 22. Rattle. 23. Rattle. 24. Rattle. 25. Rattle. 26. Rattle. 27. Rattle. 28. Rattle. 29. Rattle. 30. Rattle. 31. Rattle. 32. Rattle. 33. Rattle. 34. Rattle. 35. Rattle. 36. Rattle. 37. Rattle. 38. Rattle. 39. Rattle. 40. Rattle. 41. Rattle. 42. Rattle. 43. Rattle. 44. Rattle. 45. Rattle. 46. Rattle. 47. Rattle. 48. Rattle. 49. Rattle. 50. Rattle. 51. Rattle. 52. Rattle. 53. Rattle. 54. Rattle. 55. Rattle. 56. Rattle. 57. Rattle. 58. Rattle. 59. Rattle. 60. Rattle. 61. Rattle. 62. Rattle. 63. Rattle. 64. Rattle. 65. Rattle. 66. Rattle. 67. Rattle. 68. Rattle. 69. Rattle. 70. Rattle. 71. Rattle. 72. Rattle. 73. Rattle. 74. Rattle. 75. Rattle. 76. Rattle. 77. Rattle. 78. Rattle. 79. Rattle. 80. Rattle. 81. Rattle. 82. Rattle. 83. Rattle. 84. Rattle. 85. Rattle. 86. Rattle. 87. Rattle. 88. Rattle. 89. Rattle. 90. Rattle. 91. Rattle. 92. Rattle. 93. Rattle. 94. Rattle. 95. Rattle. 96. Rattle. 97. Rattle. 98. Rattle. 99. Rattle. 100. Rattle.

Down  
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2. Who was Nostradamus?  
3. Name Queen Victoria of England's prince consort.  
4. Name the largest sea bird known.  
5. What is Moya besides being a girl's name?

(Answers on Page 8)

## DUMB BELLS

TOBACCO BOWL WITH SOAPY WATER MAKES AN EXCELLENT WASH FOR INSECTS!

WELL, AS FAR AS CONCERN THE LITTLE BEGGARS CAN STAY DIRTY



## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

If you are born today, your innate talents will develop under the sun and help you to attain your goal. Unfortunately, your love of solid, hard work is not on a par with your desire for fame and fortune. You must learn to do some of the pleasures of leisure if you are to reach the heights to which your talents, if properly directed, might entitle you. Put forth the required amount of effort and you will see results. Sit back and wait for something to happen—and most of the time nothing good will!

Be more than ordinarily alert to opportunity. Don't be overly cautious when you see a chance to do what you want. Even if unprepared—take the chance and dive in. More than likely

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Get practical about life. Use your ideas sensibly. Intuitions are a guide. Follow them wisely.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Play your work carefully now and everything should turn out as you would like it to. Be astute.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—The measure of your ultimate success may be judged by your ability to get along with others.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—If job hunting, this should be an excellent day to get results. Behind the scenes, forces are at work for you.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Confidential matters involving some hitherto secret matter can be concluded successfully now.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Property matters, home affairs, even a new romance are all favoured.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—A day when intuition should be heeded and all ideas scrutinized under the microscope of practicality.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Brunt practical matters of business and finance into the foreground. Act wisely on important affairs.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Personal talents count for a lot. Make use of your initiative to forward your own interests.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Be practical. If you can be helpful to others, it can bring mutual happiness and perhaps some gain.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If in research, you should be able to make some important discovery now to further your career.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—All professions are favoured, but if you are in real estate or mining, things should go especially well.

For example, both the artists whose pictures of dead fish were signed "Topsy" put their signatures to studies of interesting specimens which had in fact been painted by Gamboa. Two headless bodies painted with much bravura were signed "Piccadello"; the artists who painted them put their own signatures to Overton's Mahalick never painted dead fish.

Who signed the two pictures? "The Mother of the Green" and "When Did You Last See Your Brother?"—which in fact had been painted by Topsy.

(Solution on Page 8)

Check Your Knowledge

1. What is the meaning of the slang expression "icky"?  
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## SCIENCE AT WORK

### LIVERPOOL'S GIANT ATOM - SMASHER

By J. W. TAYLOR

NEARING completion a few minutes' walk from the centre of Liverpool is the new building to house a giant atom-splitting machine, centre-piece of modern premises for Liverpool University's physics department and the biggest synchro-cyclotron in the world outside the United States.

Installation work has already started on the plant 1,600-ton high-grade steel electro-magnet, built with six-feet thick reinforced concrete walls and a ten-feet thick outer shell of earth and rock, but it will be about two years before the synchro-cyclotron will be operating. Its output of atomic particles up to 400 million volts will provide scientists with a wide range for research in extremely high energies, and enable more advanced research into the nucleus of the atom.

The new synchro-cyclotron initiated by Sir James Chadwick, the famous atomic scientist and destined for direction by Professor W.K.D. Skinner, FRS, recently appointed to the Chair of Physics at the University, will be 150 inches in diameter, as compared to Sir James' "baby" cyclotron, still in use at the University where he made his noted atomic researches as Professor of Physics, with a mere 37 inches. The present most powerful one in Britain at Harwell is 110 inches in diameter. The only three others of similar size to the new Liverpool "gigantor" are in the United States. Only one is at present working.

Liverpool's new giant machine will be remotely-controlled at a distance of 75 feet from a small room in the laboratory block, facing Pleasant. This contains some of the finest temporary laboratories in the country and is completed and now occupied.

#### No Risks

There is no risk of any harmful effects outside the actual cyclotron chamber. The thick walls of the synchro-cyclotron house are sufficient safeguard against penetrations by the fast radioactive neutron produced by the atom-breaking machine.

Research work will seriously begin in the new premises next month on a second machine, capable of accelerating particles up to 115 million volts, which has been installed in a special high voltage room.

(Tomorrow—Book Parade)

## BY THE WAY

### by Beachcomber

THE decision of another public library to allow men and women to read in the same room is bound to expose the women to a fate worse than catalogue-hunting.

It is true that in the British Museum mixed reading is allowed, but provincial libraries lack even in the chair of the British Museum reading room horseplay is not uncommon. Two heads behind one gigantic tome tell their own tale of dalliance and gallantry. Veteran readers still repeat the story of that sudden like a rough boar-hound, and Kerrigan on the dedication of the Lakes of Northern Nigeria, Vol. XVI—"Be Mrs Spofforth, I entreat you!"

Twenty Years of Uproar  
The forget that in order to play the violin it is not enough to have "an ear for music."

It is often too much, but we will let that pass. My old teacher, Savolattelli of Perugia, used to start by making you draw a line across a thick bit of string. "See," he would say, "she does not sing. Now, make her sing." Then he would hand you the violin. If he was dissatisfied he would shout: "Back to the string. Play forty times like a rough boar-hound, but not the delicate catgut for you! You play like a mad sailor."

It was Salvatelli who taught Emilio Zola's brother Gorgon. Gorgon afterwards gave his name to the famous chess player. Gorgon Zola was of course a chess player. He had to have a very long violin specially made for him by Zuehlke of Roccabonate. When he had to play at the lower end of the violin Gorgon had to lift his right foot across his body to cover the instrument while he bent over it. If he overbalanced the whole thing ended in a fiasco (of Brolio or Salaparuta).

Reverie  
No air of leaf or bird  
No cry, no whispered word,  
No football in the night,  
Then a crash in the undergrowth  
And a tall tree knocked down,  
As into the glade, with an oath  
Waddles my angry aunt.

"I think this should read 'fool-fall'."  
—London Express Service

## U.S. Loans To Yugoslavia

Washington, Mar. 6.—Eugene Black, President of the International Bank, said the Export Import Bank loan of \$20,000,000 to Yugoslavia announced on March 1 would not alter the International Bank's consideration of the Yugoslav request of a \$25,000,000 loan.

Naturally, he said, we have to consider any country's other dollar commitments but we are closely in touch with the Export Import Bank and their loans are all taken into consideration in our negotiations with these countries.—United Press.

## Japanese Shipbuilders Optimistic

Tokyo, Mar. 6.—Recent inquiries from countries in the Far East for wooden ships are causing an upsurge of optimism in Japanese shipbuilding circles today following the SCAP order in effect for the return of private ships under government operation to their original owner.

The biggest is planned by South Korea which, according to the Jiji Press News Agency, will invite tenders for 104 wooden vessels within a month's period.

Japanese dockyards also expected to receive inquiries for about 13 ships from the French Indo-China.

Shipyards believe the shortage of ships for coastal commerce in Far Eastern countries means other orders will follow.—United Press.

## Japan Supplying Telephone Cables

Tokyo, Mar. 6.—A shipment of US\$2,200,000 worth of telephone cable to India will be made this month, Messrs Elsenberg and Company announced today.

The Tokyo firm negotiated the contract between Furukawa Company and the Indian government.—United Press.

# American Action In Dollar Oil Controversy

Washington, Mar. 6.—The Economic Cooperation Administration told Congress today that it is withholding further financing of British oil companies "anywhere in the world."

The British have placed substantial embargoes on their dollar purchases of oil. "The imposition of quantitative restrictions is the end of any sound basis for conducting world trade," the ECA Administrator, Mr Paul Hoffman, told the House Sub-Committee on Petroleum.

Mr Hoffman said: "There is no device so destructive to trade as the imposition of quantitative restrictions. ECA has not financed any new development unless it was economically sound and could compete in the free market."

Dr Oscar E. Bransky, chief of ECA's petroleum branch, told the committee that further aid to British companies had been halted, pending negotiations with British government about settling the embargo problems.

Dr Bransky added: "We recognize the paramount need of countries to save dollars by increased home refining, and we should make liberal estimates of their future consumption requirements."

ECA refused \$80,000,000 to the British last year, Dr Bransky said, "pending further study" of their overseas oil programme. By 1952 next year, Dr Bransky estimated, there will be a \$65,000,000 drop in dollar purchases of oil.

#### PRICES DOWN

European production is increasing very rapidly. The cost of dollar oil imports into European countries will drop from \$440,000,000 this year to \$375,000,000 next year, although the volume of oil will remain about the same.

The cost of non-dollar imports will run about the same as this year, or \$622,000,000 despite the increase by volume of 13%, he said. He explained that lower oil prices will make possible increased volume at lower cost.

Mr Hoffman reiterated his plea for realization that the success of the foreign aid programme depended upon greater purchases abroad and reduced sales to foreign countries. The alternatives, he claimed, would be to see the recovery programme placed in great jeopardy or American taxpayers forced to continue pouring dollars into Europe.—United Press.

## HONGKONG SHARES

On the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning, the transactions completed up to noon were of a value of \$141,750. Noon quotations were:

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## Tito Said Building Big Army

Belgrade, Mar. 6.—One of Yugoslavia's top Communist leaders warned today that Marshal Tito is "building a mighty and modernized army" capable of defending the country against all comers.

Moshe Pijade, Politburo theoretician, told a crowd of 15,000 in the Serbian town of Valjevo: "Our present programme of industrialization is devoted to strengthening the country's defences."

In a speech delivered on Sunday and only made public on Monday, Pijade said: "Our country is doing everything which a small country can do for world peace and for honest relations between all nations. However, it is also known that it can do nothing for peace if it does not jealously guard its own freedom and independence. That, comrades, demands of us that we should strengthen our defensive might, our people's army. And the strengthening of our people's army by our own forces also demands sacrifices from the working class, demands sacrifices also from the peasants."

### PACK OF LIARS

"Every Yugoslav patriot who lives in this country must be conscious of the fact that a good part of what we are seeing today, or what is perhaps not visible, is done so that our army may be mightily armed with modern equipment, so that it can always defend the freedom and independence of our people."

His reference to the might of the Yugoslav army, whose present strength is estimated at 500,000 men, is considered particularly noteworthy in view of the approaching spring, when Soviet and Communist forces in Hungary, Rumania, and Austria will begin manoeuvres.

Pijade disdainfully slid over references to a "pack of liars and scoundrels." The dog still barked, but the caravan moved on.—United Press.

## RESHUFFLE IN BURMA

Rangoon, Mar. 6.—The Prime Minister of Burma, Thakin Nu, stated today that after his forthcoming tour of the Arakan and Western Burma, the Cabinet would be reshuffled.

His strength will be increased from 17 to 19 by creating two new Ministries of Public Health and of Refugees and Rehabilitation, the Prime Minister told a Press conference.

Myanung U Tin will be Public Health Minister. The present Minister of Justice, U Ba Gyan, will resign and the post will be taken by U Khin Maung Lat.—Reuter.

## Heavy Floods In Turkey

Istanbul, Mar. 6.—Relief squads were today searching for people missing in heavy floods when the Porshuk River overflowed its banks at Edirne, Western Thrace.

The Eskishehir Valley suffered heavily as flood waters swept over large stretches of cultivated land. Ten houses collapsed and an aviation training camp was submerged.

Scores of suburban families were rescued from their homes in the Valley, but casualties are feared.—Reuter.

## Bidault Suspends French Assembly

Paris, Mar. 6.—The French Government hit back effectively today at Communist attempts to talk out its new anti-sabotage bill to protect arms shipments to Indo-China.

It suspended the Assembly after four weary days and two whole nights of Communist filibustering and announced that it would put the bill to a vote of confidence when it meets again tomorrow night.

The debate will be resumed tomorrow night. The Communist deputies marched from the Chamber singing the Marseillaise when the Prime Minister, M. Georges Bidault, stopped the marathon session this morning. They protested against this summary treatment of a bill which they had talked themselves hoarse to delay.

From 3 a.m. this morning until 9 a.m., the Communist deputy, Rene Lemaire, held forth. He subjected, which finally lulled the some 50 deputies in his audience into unquestioning apathy, included commencing all French domestic problems. He read a page from the Communist journal, the electoral



## Russia Walks Out From Board Of Children's Fund

Lake Success, Mar. 6.—Russia walked out of the Executive Board of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund on Monday, protesting against the presence of the Chinese Nationalist delegate.

The Soviet delegate, Valentin Kobushko, stalked from the meeting and was joined by Ludwik Rajchman of Poland and the Czechoslovak delegate, J. Nosek.

## WELCOMING FRENCH PRESIDENT

London, Mar. 6.—The French Tricolor today flew along a corridor 72 miles long from London to Dover on the south-east coast, in readiness for the three-day visit of the French President, M. Vincent Auriol, and Madame Auriol.

The port of arrival, Dover, and the capital have gone gay with bunting, flags and flowers for all the publicity of a State visit—the first since March 1939, when the French President, M. Albert Lebrun, who died in Paris today, was a guest at Buckingham Palace.

Twelve jet fighters of the Royal Air Force Fighter Command zoomed over the coast today, practicing their escort formation. They will meet the French Channel steamer, Arromanches, in mid-Channel, flying in three groups of four, and accompany her to Dover harbour. There they will combine into one formation and dive in salute as the vessel enters the harbour.

The Duke of Gloucester, on behalf of the King and Queen, and the French Ambassador, M. Rene Massigli, will go on board the Arromanches to welcome the French President and his wife.—Reuter.

## ALBANIA OUT OF W.H.O.

Geneva, Mar. 6.—Albania has withdrawn from the World Health Organisation, it was announced here today.

During the past year five other Eastern European countries—the Soviet Union, Byelorussia, the Ukraine, Bulgaria and Rumania—have ended their membership in the Organisation.

A letter from Atahol Prifti, a Albanian deputy Foreign Minister, to Dr Brock Chisholm, Director-General of the World Health Organisation, charged the W.H.O. with adopting a discriminatory attitude towards Albania.—Reuter.

## U.S. Diplomats Confer

Cairo, Mar. 6.—American diplomats will meet here tomorrow to streamline American policy in the Middle East. It is reported that they will discuss ways of improving the implementation of the policy decisions reached last year at Istanbul. No new policy measures are expected.—United Press.

HOMAGE TO MOTHER — President Soekarno of the United States of Indonesia pays his respects to his mother at her home in Blitar, near Soerabaya. His wife and daughter are seated beside his mother.

## ATLANTIC DEFENCE MEETING

Washington, Mar. 6.—A meeting of the Chiefs of Staff of the North Atlantic powers will be held this month in Europe, it was learned authoritatively today.

The meeting of the Chiefs of Staff will be followed by a meeting of their Defence Ministers on March 31 or April 1 and later by a full meeting of the North Atlantic Council of Foreign Ministers, officials said.

These officials said that no agenda has yet been fixed for the North Atlantic Council of Ministers' meeting, but it would take place in London or some European capital.

It was possible that the Foreign Ministers might discuss the expansion of the existing machinery and procedures of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation to strengthen the economic and political ties between the powers.

But the officials emphasised that the implementation of this part of the treaty would require much preparation, and the North Atlantic powers might not be ready to discuss this by April.

It is expected here that the British, French and the United States Foreign Ministers will meet in Europe in April or May. This could coincide with the meeting of the North Atlantic Foreign Ministers.

The State Department spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott, today denied Paris reports that the three Western Foreign Ministers would meet on April 12 in London.

"There is no truth in it. No time or place has yet been fixed," he said.—Reuter.

## Noted Australian Dies At 63

Melbourne, Mar. 6.—A former Australian Senator, Mr Robert Charles Dunlop Elliott, who was personal assistant to Lord Beaverbrook at the Ministry of Aircraft Production during the war, died here today, aged 63.

He was proprietor of a chain of provincial newspapers in Australia.—Reuter.

## INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

CALL the artists T, G, P, O, M. Set the data out in tabular form: Painter Signatures G P O M T  
m n s  
Now M doesn't paint dead fish, so in and in can only be G and T. Now we have the following results: Artists T G P O M T  
Signatures P O G T G P  
Clearly the second picture is signed G, and those of P and T are signed M.  
Now T's two pictures were signed by Matisse and Picassot. London Express Service.

## Nehru Making Spot Study In West Bengal

### SITUATION DETERIORATES

Calcutta, Mar. 6.—The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, arrived here today on a three-day on-the-spot study of the situation in West Bengal. It was authoritatively learned that Pandit Nehru is on a "mission of peace mercy and communal concord."

The Prime Minister will also endeavour to tone up popular morale in West Bengal, affected by the reported persecution of the Hindu minority in East Bengal (Pakistan) whence over 55,000 refugees poured into India last month.

Calcutta—where sporadic retaliatory outbreaks of communal violence have been sternly suppressed by the Government—greeted Pandit Nehru in silence, reflecting popular anxiety over the fast deteriorating plight of the Hindu minority in the neighbouring State.

This anxiety was accentuated today by reports that the Pakistan Government had banned the exodus to India of fleeing refugees.

As Pandit Nehru drove along Calcutta's streets small groups of people shouted "liberate our brethren from their miserable plight."

The city's Muslim minority, whose safety has been guaranteed by the Indian Government, garlanded Pandit Nehru as he passed through the crowded Muslim areas.

During his three-day visit here, Pandit Nehru will meet the chief Ministers of West Bengal and nearby states and hear the report of Dr Sitaram, Indian High Commissioner to Pakistan, who has just concluded a tour of East Pakistan.

Dr Sitaram said here last week-end that he had "indisputable evidence of innumerable cases of loot, arson and murder" in East Pakistan.

### STRONG PROTES

The speedy deterioration of Indian-Pakistan relations was highlighted today by reports that the Indian Government had lodged a "strong protest" with Pakistan against the harassment of refugees from East Bengal and the country-wide condemnation in the Indian press of Pakistan's "iron curtain" tactics.

The Indian protest, it is understood, told Pakistan that "forceful measures to stop the movement of evacuees could only add to the panic and excitement."

Another protest was lodged today by the Indian Government against "grossly exaggerated and fabricated reports" about India published in the Pakistan press and broadcast by Pakistan Radio.

A typical Indian press comment on the Pakistan "iron curtain" was the editorial in Bombay's Times of India which declared: "Even ordinary facilities to know what is happening there (East Pakistan) are denied to us."

### BLACK CORDON

"In disregard of the United Nations Convention on Freedom of Information, Pakistan has disseminated hundreds of newspaper correspondents and perpetrated an iron curtain."

Calcutta's Amrita Bazar Patrika asked: "Does the world know that the new State of Pakistan, created out of communal hatred and violence, has equalled if not exceeded Soviet Russia in erecting a black cordon around her?"

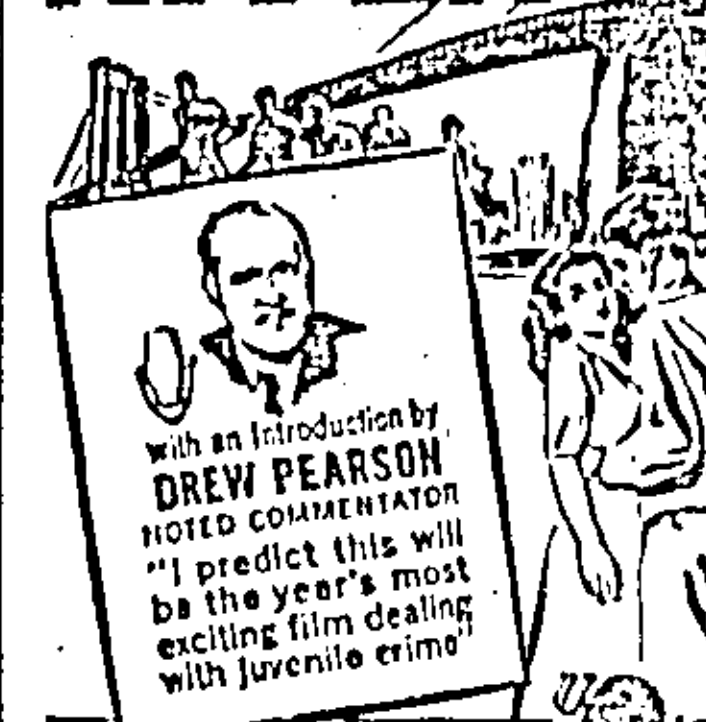
The paper added: "The press is being used by Pakistan as it is being done by Russia not

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